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FAR EAST INTERNATIONAL CRISIS ENTERING GRAVEST PHASE

Sudden Postponement Of Tokyo War Council

Fresh Inquiry Ordered

Shanghai, Yesterday.

With the survivors of the Panay charging that the United States gunboat was machine-gunned by Japanese planes and surface boats following the bombing, the Japanese authorities to-day ordered a new investigation of the outrage.

Announcing the new investigation, a Japanese spokesman emphasised that "as far as it is known here," the Panay was not subjected to any machine-gun fire.

The new investigation, he added, had been launched "in order to bring the incident to a satisfactory conclusion in full faith and sincerity." — Reuter.

TOKYO SYSTEM TO BLAME FOR OUTRAGES

New York, Yesterday.

"It is the system in Japan which makes it possible for unformed clansmen to break Japan's written pledges with impunity and swagger roughshod over treaties," declares the New York "Herald-Tribune."

The journal adds that if adjustment of the Panay incident in any way helps the Imperial Japanese Government to prove itself a responsible government with real control over its rampaging armed forces, then America could afford to consider the little river gunboat and the few lives lost small sacrifice on the altar of permanent peace.

Otherwise, these losses are a criminal waste, for which Japan must be held sternly accountable. — Reuter.

PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT CONSULTS CHIEF OF NAVAL OPERATIONS

Washington, Yesterday.

President Roosevelt yesterday summoned the Chief of Naval Operations, Admiral L. R. Leahy, to the White House to obtain first-hand information regarding the Japanese attack on the U.S.S. Panay.

It is understood that Admiral Leahy stated that official despatches bore out press accounts that Japanese planes bombed the Panay at low altitudes at which the gunboat's colours must have been discernible, and that Japanese army surface craft machine-gunned the survivors escaping in small boats.

Leaving the President after half an hour's conversation, Admiral Leahy told reporters that the incident had "created a tense situation."

Asked if additional United

HOSTILITY TO DEMANDS OF GREAT BRITAIN

(From Our Own Correspondent)

TOKYO, YESTERDAY.

SUDDEN POSTPONEMENT OF THE JOINT WAR COUNCIL, WHICH WAS TO HAVE BEEN HELD TO-DAY IN THE PRESENCE OF THE EMPEROR, HAS AROUSED INTENSE SPECULATION IN POLITICAL AND DIPLOMATIC QUARTERS.

All Cabinet leaders, the Chiefs of the General Staffs of Army and Navy and "Imperial Headquarters" were to have assembled for the postponed conference, the task of which was to determine the future of the campaign in China and the situation that has developed from the presentation of the British and American Notes.

It is rumoured that sharp disagreement exists between the military and the civilian leaders regarding the British demands, while it is realised that the Panay machine-gunning revelations are certain to increase the tension.

Diplomatic quarters believe that, of Nanking, has suddenly been postponed until early next week.

Postponement of the Conference, scheduled for to-day, followed the holding of a Cabinet meeting yesterday afternoon. When the conference is held, the highest army and navy officials will deliberate on revision of policy in the presence of the Emperor. — Reuter.

A Cabinet meeting was held yesterday afternoon following receipt of the American Note and the postponement decision seems to have been a direct sequel.

It is strongly rumoured in Japanese quarters that the main point of Britain's protest, information regarding the steps taken, will be rejected if the military leaders have their way.

There is a general impression that the situation is entering its gravest phase. — Our Own Correspondent.

REVISION OF POLICY

Tokyo, Yesterday.

Convocation of the epochal Imperial Conference, to discuss "fundamental policies towards China," based on the occupation

Britain Aroused To Seriousness Of Situation

London, Yesterday.

There are many signs that public feeling in Great Britain is daily becoming more aroused to the extreme seriousness of the Far Eastern situation.

What at first was regarded as one of the more or less normal clashes between China and Japan, now begins to be recognised as a direct Japanese challenge to the Western powers' position in China.

The newspapers give prominence to Far Eastern news, and every day devote special articles to different aspects of the struggle.

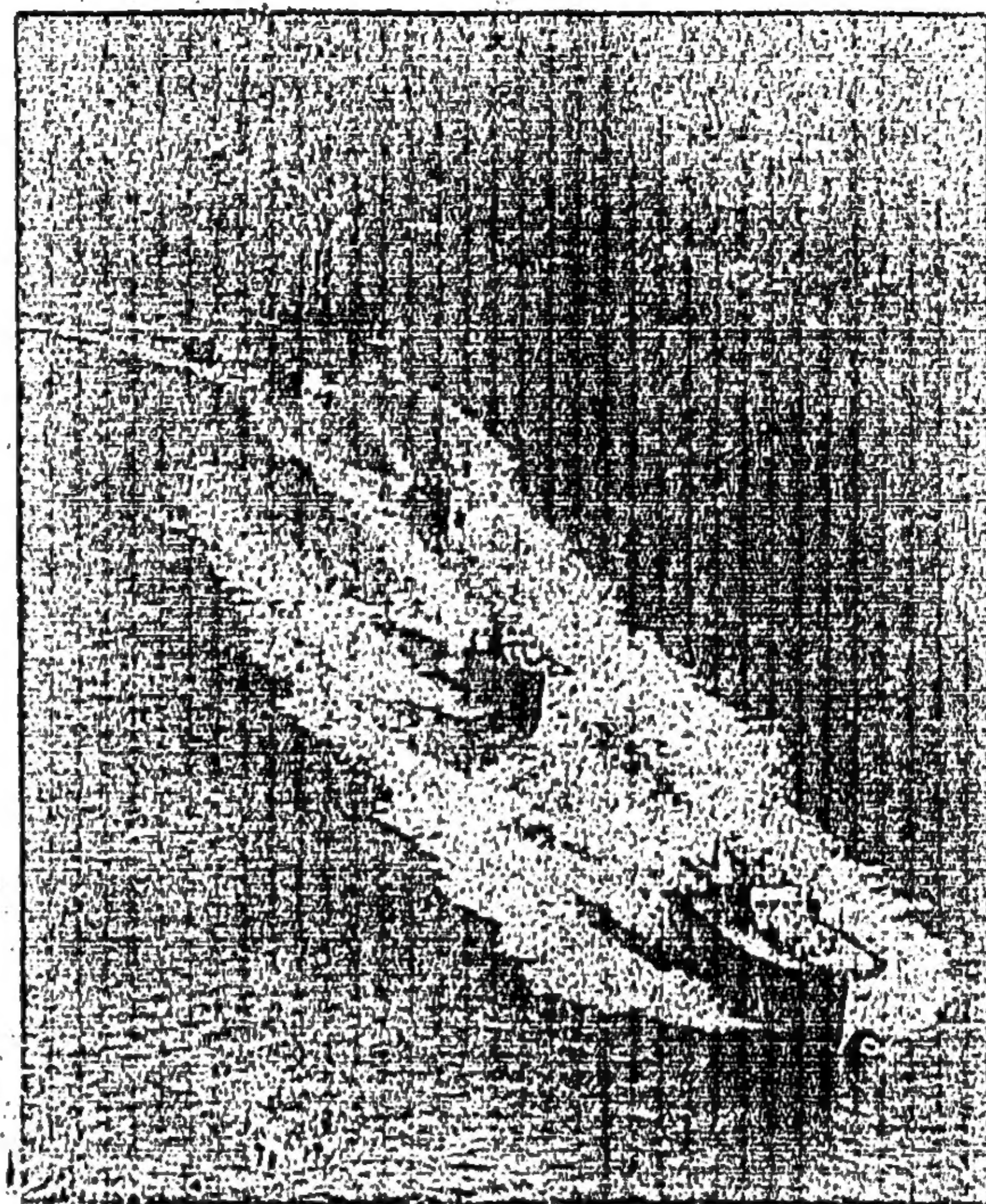
The Japanese threat to South China, cradle of British influence in the Far East, is attracting special attention.

Chinese ability to hold out and worry the Japanese army with guerilla attacks, is much canvassed, and most people are still inclined to the view that Japan has bitten off a much bigger chunk than she can chew.

TENSION STRAINING
Although it is considered probable that outrages, as those recently on the Yangtze, will be discontinued, it is generally believed that the trend of events must more and more strain the tension between Britain and Japan.

Some are of the opinion that there will be a marked stiffening of the British attitude in six months' time; when it is expected that the British Air Force in the Mediterranean will be concentrated. — Reuter.

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It is being persistently rumoured that the Chinese Government, in order to deal with the threat of a Japanese invasion in South China, are negotiating with agents in Hong Kong for the purchase of a fleet of fast armoured mosquito torpedo-craft. The above photo shows the type of craft concerned.

TSINGTAO THREAT

Shanghai, Yesterday.

Suggestion of serious developments in Tsingtao is contained in a brief message stating that the situation in the Shantung port is very tense.

The authorities have proclaimed enforcement of curfew from 6 p.m.

No further details at present are available. — Reuter.

SOVIET AIRMEN CAUSE FLUTTER IN CABARETS

Hankow, Yesterday.

Intense excitement has been aroused among the Russian dancing girls here by visits to the cabarets of Soviet airmen.

The girls were greatly impressed by the smart bearing, friendly attitude and manners of the aviators, also by their excellent dancing.

The first time Russian airmen visited the cabarets, there was great excitement among the dancers, and the managers of one of the cabarets relates that the visitors were given a round of drinks "on the house."

The airmen refuse to answer questions regarding their duties and activities, but show great interest in the local Russian community. They were surprised to see Russians in Hankow.

TAKE THEM TO RUSSIA

They tell the cabaret girls that they want to take them back to Russia, and there is a widespread belief here that the local Soviet authorities intend to extend protection to Russians in Hankow.

The latter have been asked to register at the Soviet Consulate, while some are said to have been granted Soviet passports.

The Consulate to-day invited two Russian cabaret girls to visit airmen who are sick in hospital, in order to take them magazines and books. — Reuter.

Britain Expects

London, Yesterday.

The suggestion by the Japanese spokesman that it might not be necessary to reply to the British and American Notes on the Yangtze incidents, in view of apologies already made, does not accord with the view of the situation held in London, says Reuter's diplomatic correspondent.

It is pointed out in well-informed quarters that the last paragraph of the British Note asked for information of what is being done to put a definite stop to incidents.

British quarters will certainly expect compliance with this procedure. — Reuter.

JAPANESE SUBMARINES NEAR HONG KONG

Canton, Yesterday.

Official reports state that a submarine flotilla flying the Japanese flag has appeared along the South China Coast.

Four submarines were sighted by scouting planes yesterday near Hong Kong, states one report. — Our Own Correspondent.

PLANES NEAR BORDER

Canton, Yesterday.

According to Chinese reports, twenty-six Japanese planes were active over various part of South China this morning.

They were sighted at Tolshan and over Shumchun, near the British border, and it is understood they also bombed the Canton-Hankow Railway. Damage is unknown.

Pom-pom and machine gun fire greeted one group as they roared over Shumchun at 1 o'clock this afternoon, going south to their base.

At 7.15 this evening the air raid alarm was sounded all over Canton, and the turning off of all lights heralded the first night raid for over a month.

The all clear was sounded at 9.45 p.m., no planes having appeared. — Reuter.

A.A. Fire

Canton, Yesterday.

The usual air-raid alarm this morning was accompanied with continuous A. A. gun fire from Chinese batteries on the outskirts of the city, where three Japanese planes appeared at a very high height.

According to reports received this afternoon, the Cheung Muk Tau Station on the Canton-Kowloon line was raided while several places along the Canton-Hankow line were also bombed.

Several planes, it is reported, flew over the Chung Shan District but did not drop any bombs.

All the planes failed to reach the city. — Our Own Correspondent.

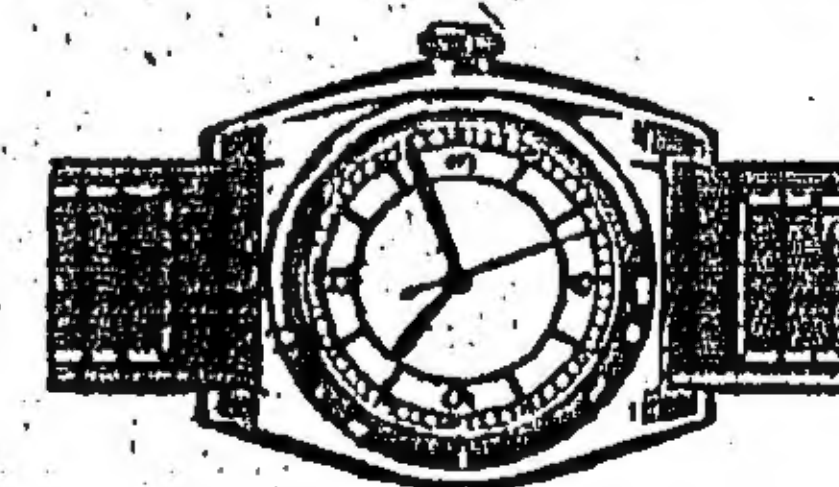
FRENCH DEMARCHE

Tokyo, Yesterday.

The French ambassador, M. Charles Henri, called at the Foreign Office to-day in an endeavour to make arrangements for ensuring the safety of French warships and merchantmen on the Yangtze at Hankow.

Nothing has, as yet, transpired concerning the result of this demarche. — Trans-Ocean.

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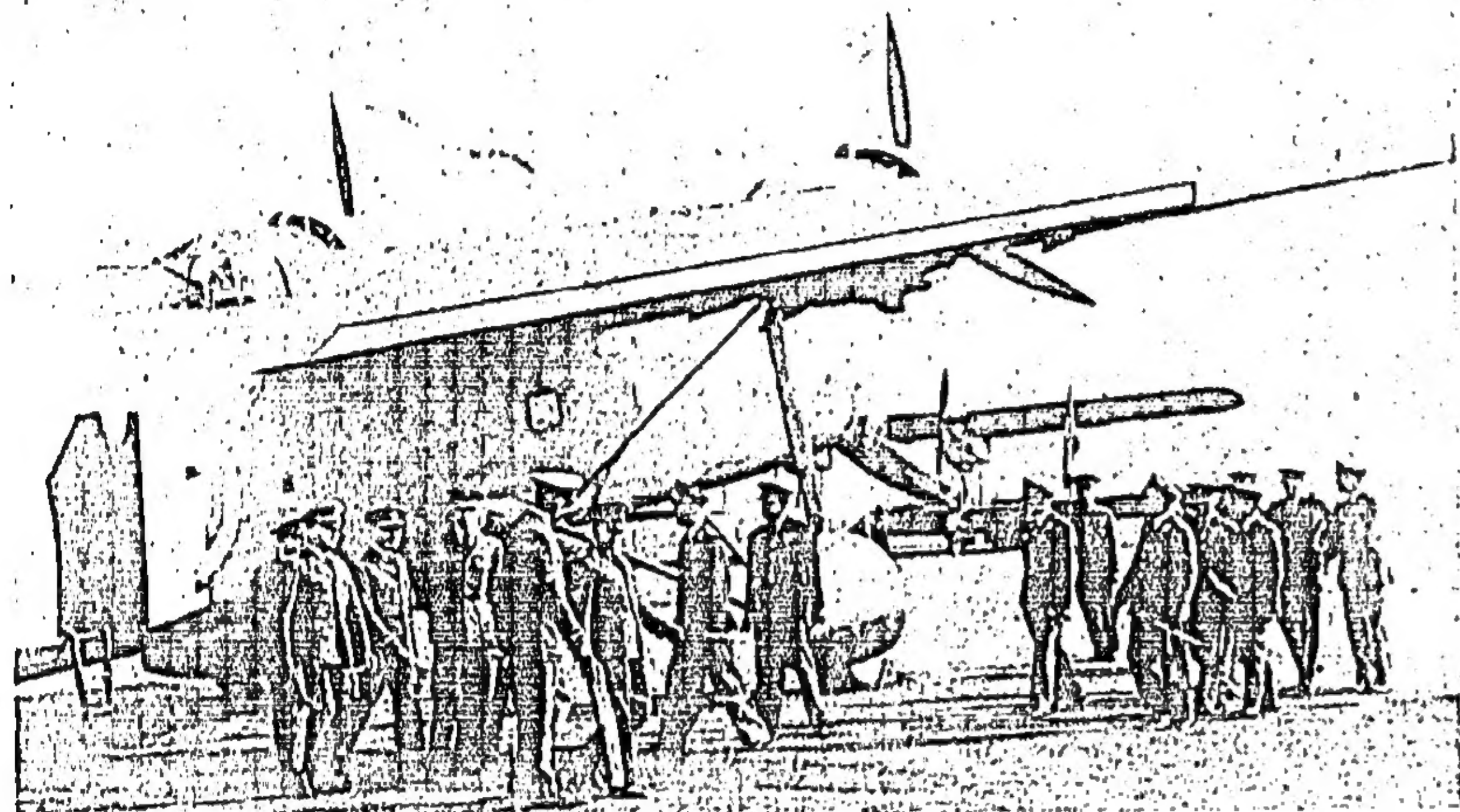
Paris, Yesterday.
The Duke and Duchess of Windsor were received at the Elysee Palace yesterday by President Albert Lebrun.—Trans-Ocean.

10,000 MILES IN A SINGLE HOP

("Sunday Herald" Special)

Royal Air Force long-distance fliers may make Hong Kong the terminal point of a record-breaking nonstop trip from London early next year, the "Sunday Herald" understands.

In the course of this amazing flight the planes, the very latest type of Britain's bombing craft, with a speed of 228 miles an hour and an enormous range, will pilot their machines over the least-known parts of Tibet.



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EXPERTS' VIEW

If necessary, they will make their first landing at Hong Kong. In any case they will be in the air for two days and cover more than 10,000 miles. Their machines are capable of 228 miles an hour and have an immense fuel range normally.

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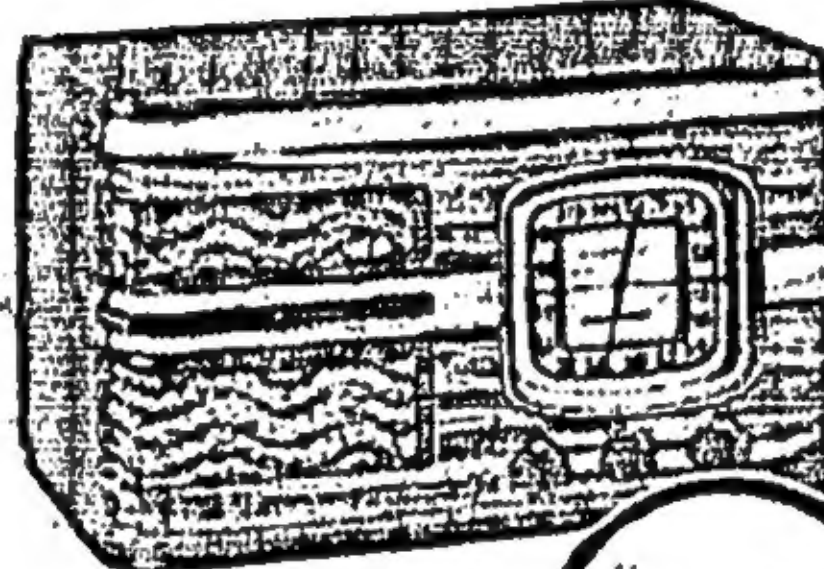
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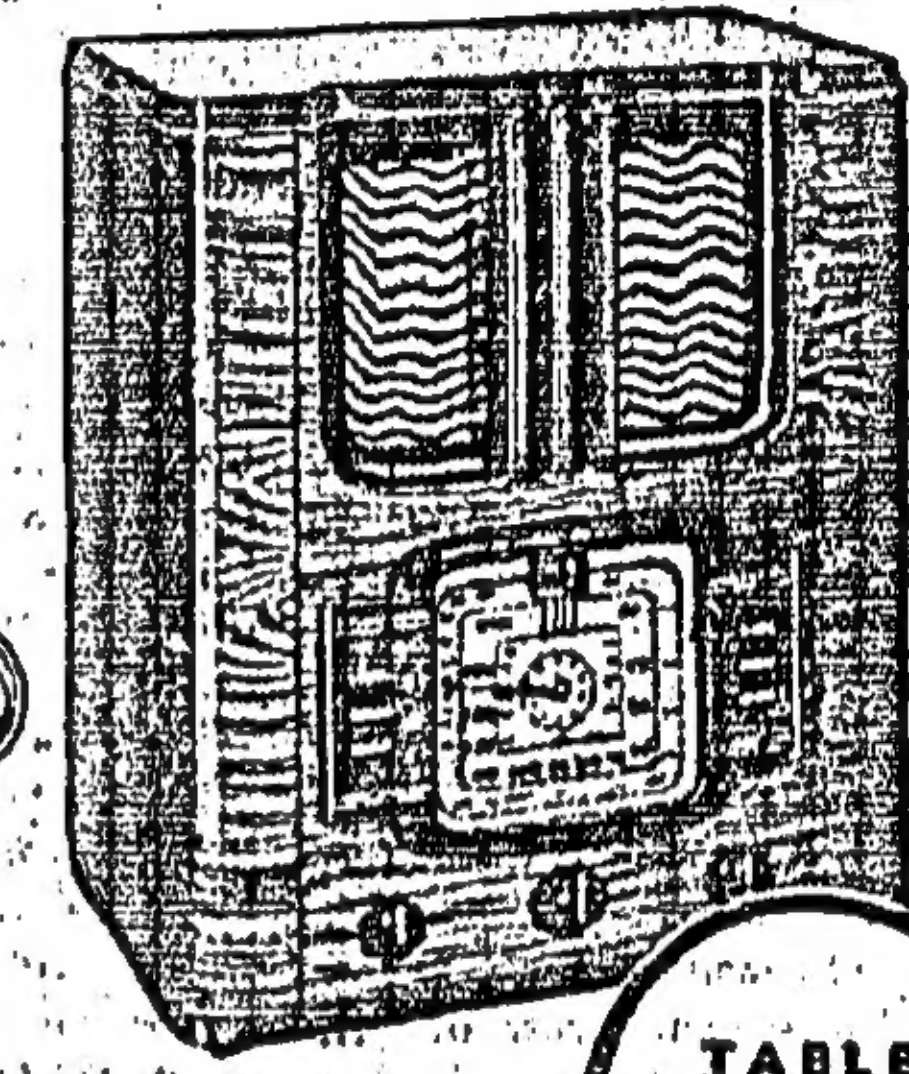


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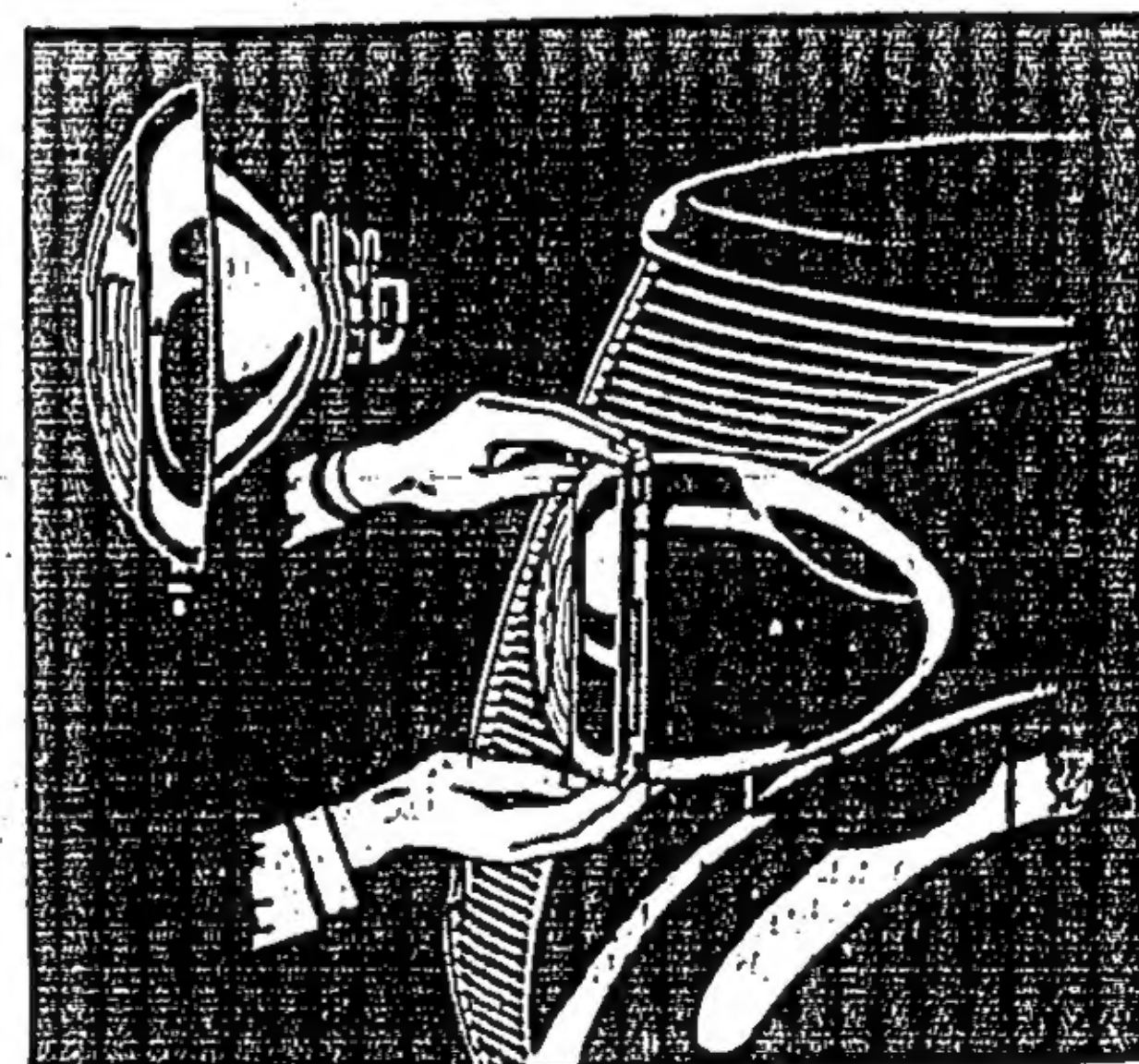
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PANAY OUTRAGE EVIDENCE SHOCKS LONDON

"Attack On Hong Kong Would Be Resisted With All The Power Of Empire"

DARK STAIN ON THE HONOUR OF JAPANESE FORCES

London, Yesterday.

A three-column despatch from Shanghai to "The Times" this morning describes in detail and vivid fashion the events of the Panay outrage.

An accompanying leading article flatly rejects the Tokyo denials and says that sinking of the Panay leaves a dark stain on the honour and humanity of the Japanese forces.

The outrage clearly illustrates the failure of the High Command and of the Government to do their duty to the Emperor by restraining subaltern officers from committing wanton and shameful provocation of a friendly power.

HONG KONG'S POSITION

Other London newspapers give prominence to news of probable ex-

tension of warfare to South China, and of preliminary precautions in the region of Hong Kong.

The Labour organ, the "Daily Herald," writes in a leading article: "But Hong Kong will not be attacked because the Japanese know it will instantly be defended by the whole power of the Empire."—Reuter.

MOVIETONE MAN ABOARD

London, Yesterday.

Graphic accounts of the sinking of the American gunboat, Panay, on the Yangtse, based on the experiences of the survivors who have arrived at Shanghai are published in the press.

The only British subjects on the Panay were the "Times" correspondent and a representative of British Movietone News.

The former, Mr. C. M. MacDonald, in a long despatch, describes the repeated attacks on the Panay from the air, reveals that the crew, some of them wounded, were machine-gunned while escaping, and adds that the Panay was fired on from a motor launch and boarded by a party of soldiers.

In editorial comment "The Times" says: "It is a hideous picture only redeemed by the cool courage of the wounded officers and the gallantry of the crew of the small and stricken ship. The attack was executed in cold blood. There had been no provocation. The Panay was on her lawful occasions."

NO EXCUSE

She had anchored nearly 30 miles above Nanking. She was flying the American flag and even if the pilot of the first Japanese aeroplane that attacked her did not see her distinguishing marks, there can be no excuse for the subsequent aerial attacks with bombs and machine-guns and above all for the behaviour of the crew of the Japanese army launch.

America will not lightly brook this outrage on her flag and her

ENTIRE ARAB FAMILY BEFORE ARMY TRIAL

Jerusalem, Yesterday.

An entire Arab family, consisting of ten persons, appeared before a military court here yesterday on charges of having committed acts of terrorism and with being in possession of firearms without authorities.

The father of the family was sentenced to death, while the other eight were sentenced to life imprisonment.

Meanwhile, clashes continue to be reported from all over the country, main affair yesterday being in the hills north-east of Jaffa, when three Arabs were wounded and a British soldier slightly wounded.—Trans-Ocean.

MORE OUTRAGES

Jerusalem, Yesterday.

A Christian Arab policeman was fatally wounded near Jerusalem today when he was attacked by an Arab armed gang.

The Iraq oil pipeline was punctured and set on fire near Haifa, while the telephone line along the pipeline was damaged.

Telephonic communication between Jerusalem and Hebron has been interrupted owing to destruction of the wires.

BOY RELEASED

Sentence passed on nine members of an Arab family yesterday were confirmed today by the commander-in-chief.

The sentence of one year's imprisonment on the youngest member of the family, a lad fourteen years old, was not confirmed and the boy was released.—Reuter.



Photo taken after the wedding at Kowloon Union Church yesterday of Miss Mary Hyde and Mr. A. W. Black, of Carmichael and Clarke. ("Herald" photo).

PANAY FUND IN JAPAN

Tokyo, Yesterday.

Contributions in aid of the victims of the Panay disaster are reported from all parts of Japan. The American-Japanese Society and over thirty other organisations have started a nationwide drive for contributions for this purpose.

The list of subscriptions will close on Jan. 15, when all contributions will be handed to the American Embassy.—Reuter.

T.V. SOONG IN CANTON DISCUSSIONS

Canton, Yesterday.

After conferences with General Wu Te-chen, Governor of Kwangtung, Mr. Tsang Yang-fu, Mayor of Canton, and with Provincial Treasury officials, Mr. T. V. Soong, President of the Bank of China, left for an undisclosed destination two days ago, it was revealed this morning.

It is believed that he left for Hankow.—Our Own Correspondent.

TERUEL FRONT OFFENSIVE

London, Yesterday.

Contrary claims are made by the Spanish Government and the Nationalists regarding the fighting round the Teruel front.

The Government states that Teruel is surrounded and a number of important positions taken.

On the other hand, the Nationalists claim that a number of Government tanks which slipped through the Nationalist lines, were wiped out.—Reuter.

QUEEN PLAYS DARTS

London, Yesterday.

Queen Elizabeth joined the ranks of darts players when she played her first game last night, and beat King George by 21 points to 10.—Reuter.

LONDON SILVER MARKET

London, Yesterday.

London silver prices to-day were down 1/8 as follows:—

	Dec. 17	Dec. 18
Spot	19-1/16	18-15/16
Forward	18-7/16	18-5/16

—Our Own Correspondent.

JAPANESE TO PRESS SOVIET ON NORTHERN FISHERY CONVENTION

Tokyo, Yesterday.

A formal announcement is expected to be made public by the Foreign Office in a few days regarding a petition which the Foreign Minister, Mr. Koki Hirota, has received from various quarters in connection with the "Soviet Union's" provisional fishery convention which was initiated between Japan and the Soviet Union last year.

The Mayor of Hakodate City, in Hokkaido, which is the base for the Japanese fishing operations in northern waters, on December 3, wired to the Foreign Minister pointing out the Soviet Union's "lack of sincerity" in concluding the new fishery convention, and urging Mr. Hirota "to take the best possible measures for safeguarding Japan's fishing rights as provided in the treaty of 1905 and reaffirmed in the treaty of 1925."

The speaker of the municipality of Hakodate on December 10 sent a similar wire to the Foreign Minister, and on December 11 the chairman of the Japan International Association, at the request of its Hakodate branch, made a similar petition to Mr. Hirota.—Reuter.

BRITISH AGENT IN SALAMANCA

Salamanca, Yesterday.

Sir Robert Hodgson, first British Agent to the Franco authorities under the recently concluded reciprocal agreement, arrived here today.

He was received by the Nationalist Secretary for Foreign Affairs and representatives of the military and civil authorities.—Trans-Ocean.

WARSHIPS IN YANGTZE SHELLANKING

Shanghai, Yesterday.

Japanese warships are reported to have shelled Anking this morning, causing considerable damage to property.—Our Own Correspondent.

GLASGOW'S COLDEST NIGHT FOR 16 YEARS

London, Yesterday.

Glasgow last night experienced its coldest night for sixteen years. All football matches in that part

H.M.S. CAPETOWN IN QUICK DASH TO SHANGHAI

Hankow Considers Decision Serious

Hankow, Yesterday.

As a result of a sudden and unexpected decision, the British cruiser H.M.S. Capetown, which has been bottled up in the Yangtse since the laying of the first boom across the river, prepared to leave at noon to-day on a quick dash to Shanghai.

The warship will carry twenty British women, with small babies, who are rushing preparations to leave after a few hours' notice only.

General reaction here to the decision reflects the serious view taken by the British authorities of the relations between Britain and Japan.

H.M.S. Capetown is racing to get through the new booms between Kiukiang and Hankow before the opening is closed.

Successful getting through to Shanghai is uncertain for this reason, as well as the fact that the river, which is falling, may become too shallow.

TRAIN TOO DANGEROUS

Meanwhile, the idea of evacuating foreigners to Hong Kong by means of a special train, has been cancelled, because it is thought too dangerous.

Instead, the B. and S. steamer "Woosung" is getting steam up and is preparing to follow H.M.S. Capetown's dash to Shanghai in two or three days.

Escorted by the gunboat H.M.S. Gnat, the "Woosung" will carry British, American, German and other foreign women and children, probably numbering 300. There will be no Chinese passengers.—Reuter.

LONDON NEARER TO COLONY BY AIR

London, Yesterday.

London will be brought within 8 1/2 days' journey of Hong Kong after to-morrow when the new Imperial Airways route will be opened between Hong Kong and Bangkok. The new air line will be a branch of the main England-Australia air route, connecting with the latter at Bangkok and is shorter by 400 miles than the former air line to Hong Kong operated by Imperial Airways by way of Penang. The service will be maintained by liners of the Diana class.—British Wireless.

R.A.F. PLANES AT RANGOON

Penang, Yesterday.

Four of the five Royal Air Force planes which are flying to Sydney to attend the 150th anniversary celebrations, arrived at Penang today from Rangoon.

The other machine made a forced landing near Rangoon due to engine trouble.

It has not been decided whether the engine will be repaired or replaced.—Reuter.

L.M.S. PLANS

London, Yesterday.

The London, Midland and Scottish Railway have authorised a permanent way renewal programme for next year which will involve an expenditure of £2,000,000.

It will include the complete relaying of 605 miles of track and orders for 95,000 tons of British steel will be placed in connection with the work.—British Wireless.

of Scotland have been cancelled owing to frozen grounds, while thick fog is hanging over the Clyde and holding up shipping.—Reuter.

MR. EDEN GOING TO PARIS

Paris, Yesterday.

The British Foreign Secretary, Mr. Anthony Eden, intends to pay a visit to Paris in the near future, says "Le Jour".

The paper declares that Mr. Eden is anxious to obtain information from the French Foreign Minister, M. Yvon Delbos, regarding the impressions gathered by the latter in the course of his tour through Central and Eastern Europe.—Trans-Ocean.

POLITICAL CRISIS IN CAIRO

Cairo, Yesterday.

A crisis has arisen between King Farouk and the Prime Minister, Nahas Pasha, which is likely to culminate in dismissal of the latter's Government.

Main point of disagreement is a bill aimed at safeguarding the Constitution, whereby a Prime Minister not enjoying a parliamentary majority is debarred by the threat of legal proceedings from carrying on unless a general election is held after the interval laid down in the Constitution.

Hitherto, Egyptian Prime Ministers have been Palace nominees, and it is surmised that King Farouk, like his late father, King Fuad, regards the proposal as encroaching on royal prerogatives, and he is thus conflicting with the strong nationalistic body, The Wafd.—Reuter.

AMBASSADOR ACTS

Cairo, Yesterday.

The efforts of the British Ambassador, Sir Miles Lampson, to reconcile the conflicting viewpoints of the Wafd (Nationalist) Party and the Court have so far been unsuccessful, and relations between Court and Cabinet continue to be extremely strained.

It is generally expected that the Government will tender its resignation as soon as the Premier, Nahas Pasha, has recovered from his present illness.

Possible nominees as next Premier is the President of the Chamber, Achmed Maher, brother of Ali Maher, chief of the Royal cabinet.—Trans-Ocean.

DEFINITE CLASH

Cairo, Yesterday.

The crisis between King Farouk and the Government, recently described by Palace officials as merely involving relatively unimportant matters of routine, has now reached the stage of definite disagreement.

It is believed in reliable quarters that chances of reconciliation are slight, and that the King is likely to dismiss the Premier.

DISMISSAL DEFERRED

Final attempt will probably be made to bridge the widening gap between the Palace and the Government, and therefore Nahas Pasha's dismissal, if it eventuates, will be deferred for a few days.

It is understood that the King is ready to call on Dr. Ahmed Maher, President of the Chamber of Deputies, to form a new Cabinet, and will make every endeavour to avoid the necessity of new elections.—Reuter.

BABIES VERSUS CIRCUMSTANCES

Ool Eng Bo: We cannot publish correspondence which departs from the rule prohibiting descent to personalities. The initials "J.B." are the true initials of our previous correspondent. There are reasons, which we are satisfied are good and sufficient, for the failure to extend them to the full name.—Ed.

OLYMPIA THROUGH THE AGES AT D.G.S.

"Olympia Through The Ages," a variety drill display, expertly directed by Miss Fanny J. Lee and skilfully executed by the students before a large number of visitors in the school compound, concluded yesterday afternoon, marking the "breaking up" of the Diocesan Girls' School for the Christmas and New Year holidays.

In appreciation, Miss Lee was presented with a bouquet by the School. The programme opened with the kindergarten pupils illustrating the Young Grecian Age in a number of acts entitled "Olympic Festival".

Boxing Drills followed by the boys, and then Educational Gymnastics and an English Folk Dance by students of the senior classes. A formation marching drill was followed by Class III while Class V followed with a dumbbell drill exhibition.

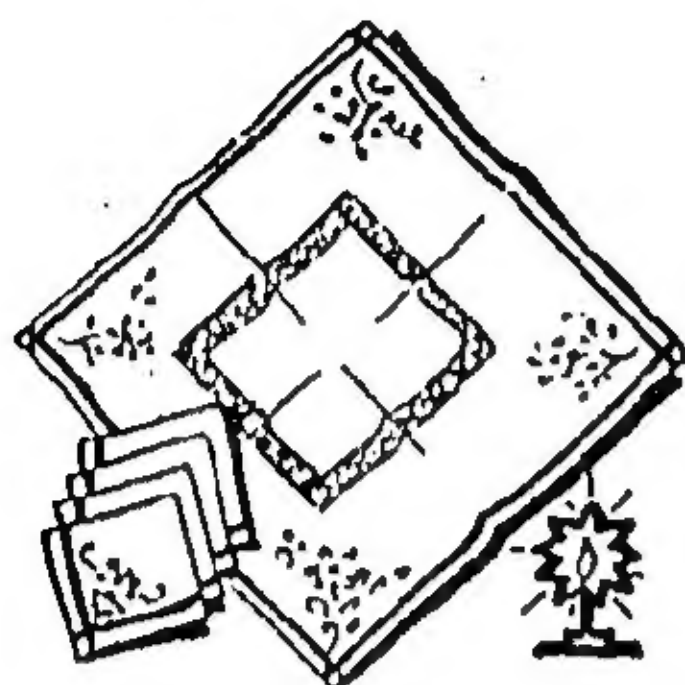
Just before the finale, students gave demonstrations of Modern Physical Education in vaulting games, tap-dancing and tumbling pyramids, mostly of a gymnastic nature.

The British National Anthem in which both students and visitors joined singing concluded the exhibition.

A clock, valued at \$10, was stolen from car No. 1997, belonging to Mr. A. T. Brown, of No. 106, Nullah Road, while it was parked at Sai Young-choi Street on Friday.



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CHINA'S CONTACT WITH SOVIET

Dr. Sun Fo States Position MOSCOW ACTING IN SELF-DEFENCE

Hankow, Yesterday.

"Even if China were to accept military help from the Soviet, that would not mean that China had become Communist," declared Dr. Sun Fo, President of the Executive Yuan and representative of the Left Wing in the Chinese Government, in an interview in Hankow.

DR. SUN FO STATED: "THE GREAT POWERS LIKE BRITAIN AND THE UNITED STATES, HAVE NOT YET BEEN ABLE TO DECIDE TO COME TO THE HELP OF CHINA, AND CHINA NEEDS FOREIGN HELP IF SHE IS TO CARRY ON HER RESISTANCE TO JAPANESE ENCROACHMENT TO A SUCCESSFUL END."

"The Soviet, as China's neighbour, is her natural ally because the threat to China also is a threat to the Soviet, and Russian aid for China would first and foremost be a measure of self-defence on the part of Moscow."

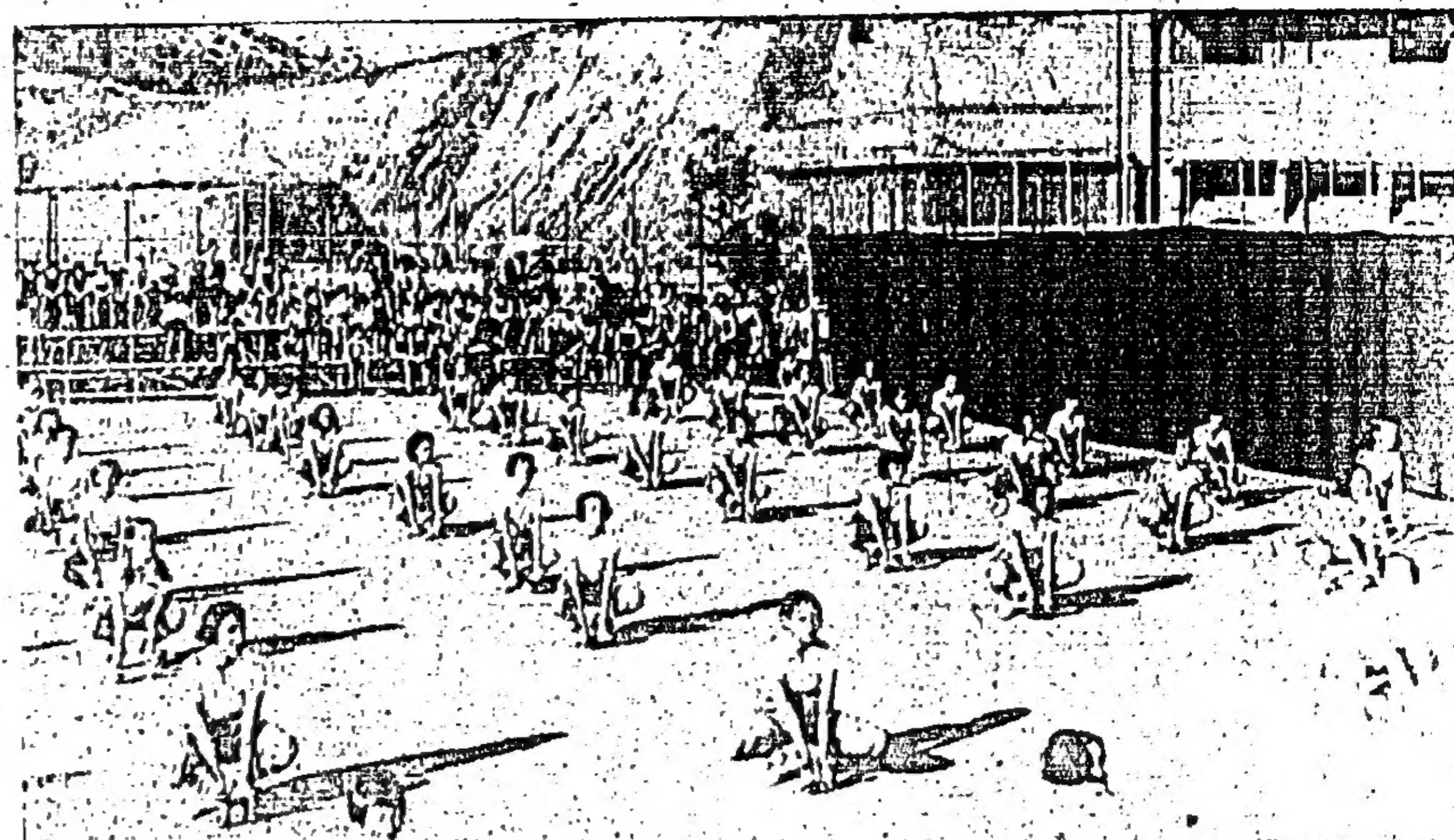
Under no circumstances, he declared, would help for China from Moscow mean the China had given up her own independence and sovereignty.

Rather, he continued, was the rebuilding of China taking place in accordance with the three Principles of Dr. Sun Yat-sen—Independence and freedom, Government power in the hands of the people, and improvement in the standard of living.

He explained that the Chinese Government had recognised that the road of Communism was not one to be taken by China.

"If China were prepared to sacrifice her principles to the Moscow ideology, then she would not need to accept help from the Soviet, but could immediately place herself under Japanese servitude."

Dr. Sun Fo continued: "China is endeavouring to work peacefully with all nations."



A pleasing impression of skill and proficiency was given by the pupils of the Diocesan Girls' School in their demonstration of gymnastics and physical culture on Friday and yesterday. Large numbers of parents attended. ("Herald" photo).

TOKYO CABINET SHUFFLE, END OF MR. HIROTA, PREDICTED

London, Yesterday.

RESHUFFLE of the Japanese Cabinet, and retirement of the Foreign Minister, Mr. Koki Hirota, is imminent, says the Tokyo correspondent of the "Daily Express."

"We are attacked by Japan, and circumstances force us to accept help from the Soviet, even at the risk of the anti-Comintern countries regarding this as a hostile action."

"China wants to go her own way in accordance with the principles laid down by Dr. Sun Yat-sen."

"She wants to preserve her independence and cultivate friendly relations with the whole world."

The correspondent forecasts that Lt.-Gen. Yoshitsugu Tatakawa will probably become Mr. Hirota's successor.

The correspondent considers that the new Cabinet will be purely a War Cabinet, in which General Sadao Araki will be made Minister of War.

Gen. Araki, who retired from the army some years ago, is the foremost advocate of government by the military.—Trans-Ocean.

ANTI-JAPANESE ACTIVITY IN OXFORD STREET

London, Yesterday.

Yesterday's anti-Japanese demonstration in Oxford Street will be repeated within the next few days.

Object of the demonstration, which calls for boycott of Japanese goods, is to prevail on Christmas shoppers to refuse to accept Japanese toys and other Christmas purchases.—Trans-Ocean.

MORE SABOTAGE CHARGES

Moscow, Yesterday.

All members of the astronomy section of the Academy of Sciences, including the director, have been dismissed for "sabotage," says the newspaper "Izvestia."

The paper says that the director

DE VALERA'S DILEMMA FOR BRITAIN

Dublin, Yesterday.

President Eamon de Valera yesterday informed the British Government for the first time of the already announced intention of the Free State to appoint a Minister to Rome.

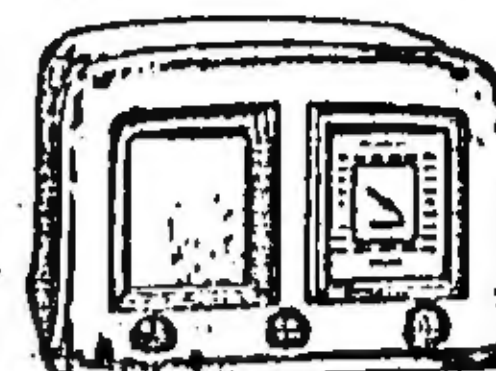
Under the terms of the Anglo-Irish Treaty of 1921, the King of England must countersign the Minister's credentials.

On the other hand, Britain has not recognised King Victor Emmanuel as Emperor of Ethiopia, a term specifically mentioned in the Free State communication to Britain.—Trans-Ocean.

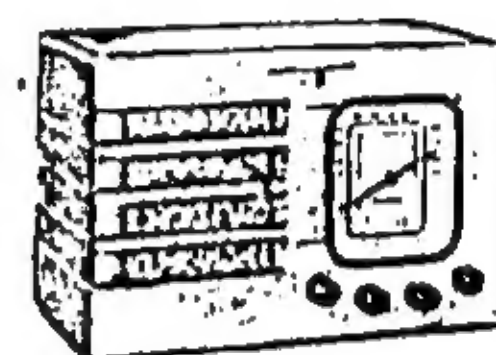
deliberately employed "elements hostile to the state" in the astronomy section.—Trans-Ocean.

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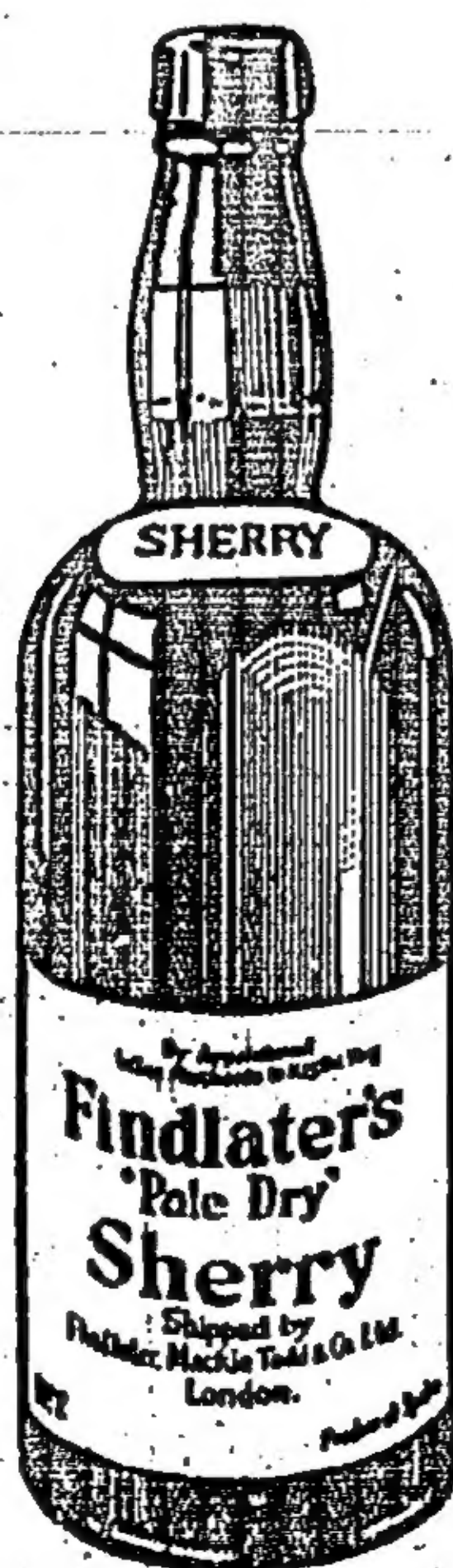
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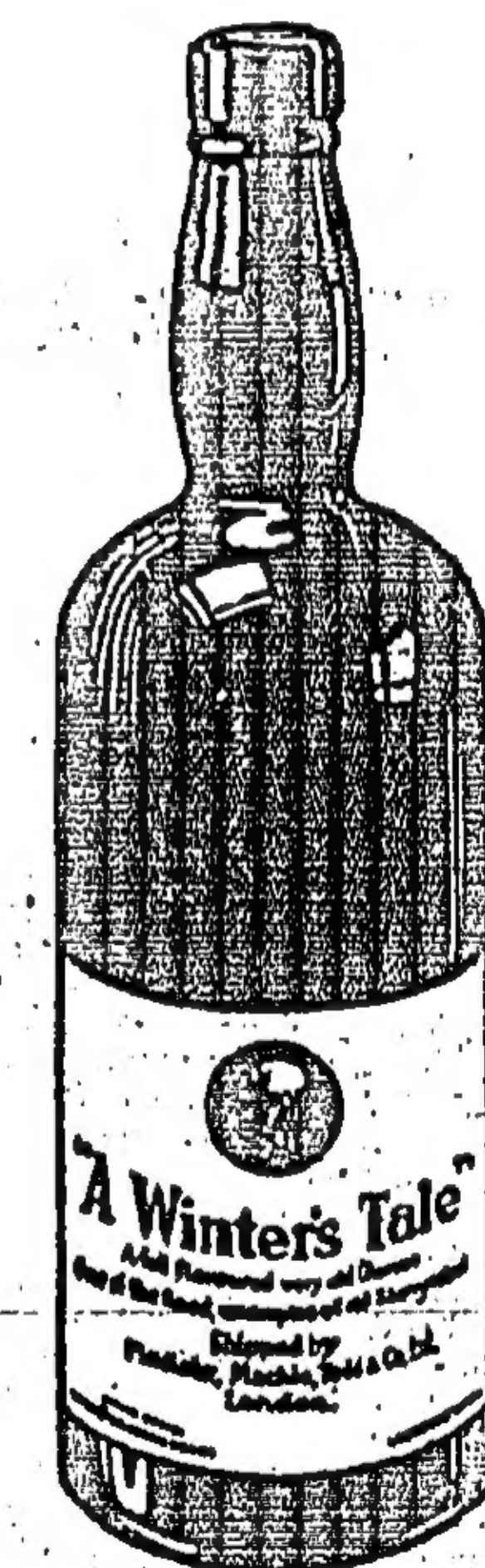


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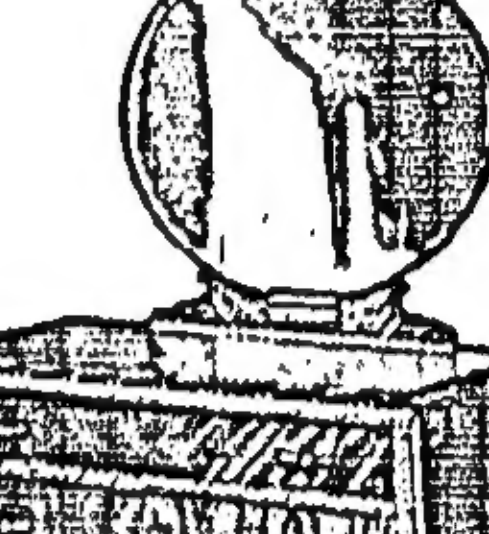
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AMBIGUOUS "SPY" CHARGES

Tokyo, Yesterday.

THE Foreign Office yesterday lodged a vigorous protest with the Soviet Embassy in Tokyo regarding seven Japanese nationals arrested by the Soviet authorities at Vladivostok and North Saghalien on "ambiguous charges."

The protest points out the uncertain condition, "unimaginable in a civilised country and impossible in a country where the people's rights are guaranteed by the constitution," in which the seven Japanese nationals in question are placed by the Soviet authorities, and demands their immediate release.

Mr. Tajiaka Hassi, manager of the Shosen Gumi, a Japanese shipping concern in Vladivostok, was arrested on March 27 on a charge of military espionage.

The other six were arrested in the northern part of Saghalien Island at various periods from May 19 to Nov. 16 on an alleged charge of espionage, but were never put on public trial.

The protest says that the Soviet Government entirely disregards Japan's repeated protestations for speeding up their trial or for their immediate release.—Reuter.

NEW SUPREME COUNCIL OF SOVIET UNION

Moscow, Yesterday.

It is now revealed that only 98 members of the former Central Executive Committee will take their seats in the newly-elected Supreme Council of the Soviet Union.

The former Committee, which is now entirely replaced by the Supreme Council, had a total membership of 757.

According to latest returns, 1,143 seats of the Supreme Council are distributed as follows:

Some 320 of the successful candidates are supplied by the Communist Party and the state bureaucracy, which thus claims 30 per cent. of the total number of seats.

The rank and file of the Party is able to claim 218 seats, or 20 per cent.

The G.P.U. gets 66 seats, or 6 per cent.

The Red Army gets 95 seats or 8.8 per cent.

The peasants get 144 seats or 12.5 per cent.

Industrial workers get 63 seats or 5 per cent.—Trans-Ocean.

BIG DEBATE ON FAR EAST

London, Yesterday.

The debate on foreign affairs which will take place in the Commons on Tuesday will be raised on the motion for the adjournment, permitting wide scope for discussion, but it is likely to be mainly occupied with Far Eastern affairs.

It is anticipated that both the Prime Minister and the Foreign Secretary will speak for the Government and that the leaders of the Opposition, Mr. Attlee and Mr. A. V. Alexander will be the principal speakers for the Labour Opposition.

On Thursday, on which day the

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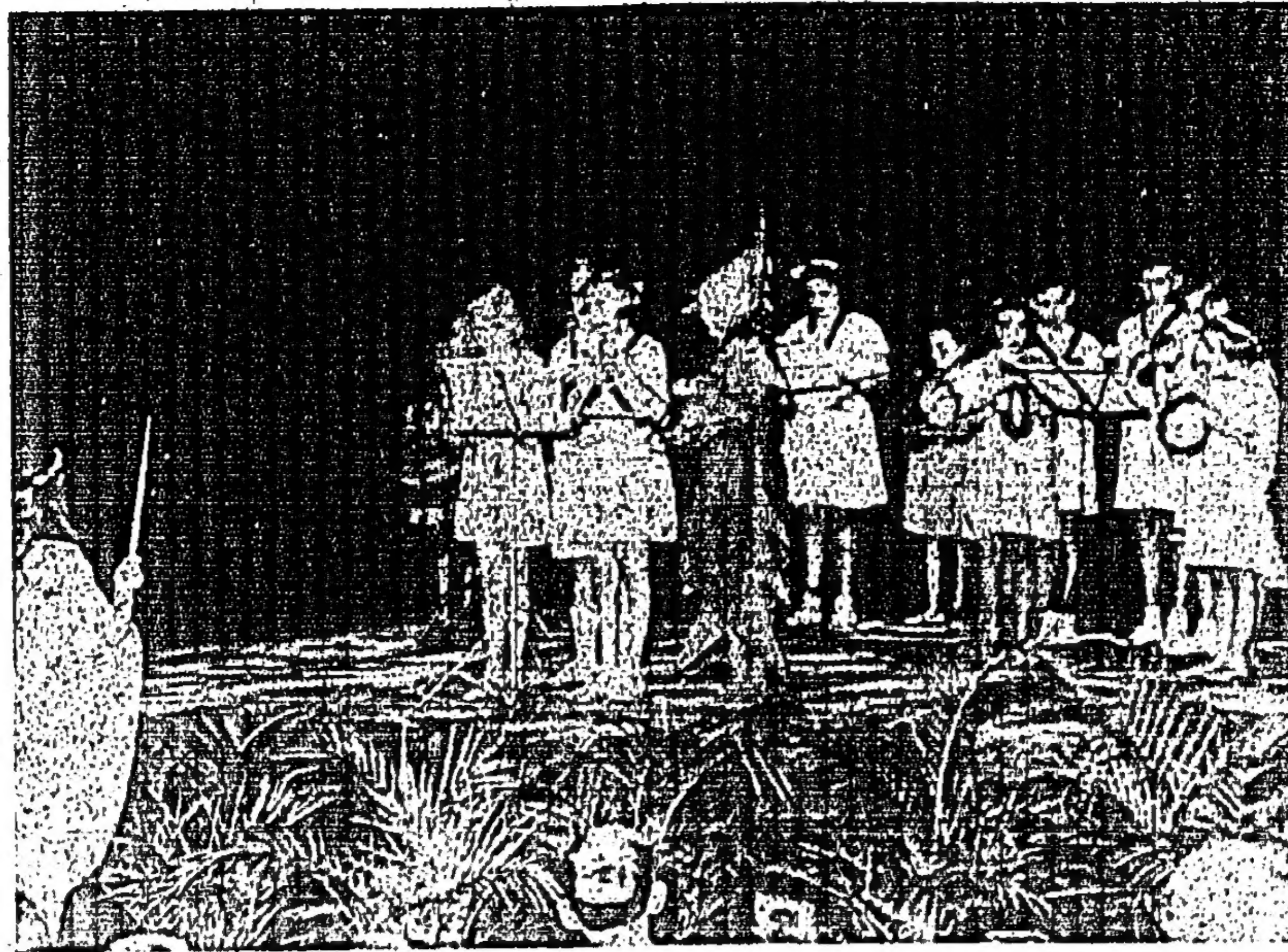
THE REVELATION THAT THE BUSIEST ROAD JUNCTION IN KOWLOON IS NOT NATHAN ROAD-SALISBURY ROAD, BUT NATHAN ROAD-WATERLOO ROAD IS DISCLOSED IN OFFICIAL FIGURES GIVEN IN THE ANNUAL REPORT OF THE P.W.D. ISSUED THIS WEEK.

A twelve-hour test between 8 a.m. and 8 p.m. revealed that at the Peninsula Hotel corner 1,836

motor-cars and motor-cycles and 1,197 lorries and buses passed in one direction, and 2,194 cars and motor-cycles and 1,520 lorries and buses in the other.

At the Waterloo Road corner, 2,008 cars and motor-cycles and 1,686 lorries and buses passed in one direction and 1,692 cars and 189 lorries and buses in the other.

The figures show an approximate increase of 25 per cent. on similar statistics taken by census in the previous year.



The percussion band of the Peak School performing at the Prize Day concert. ("Herald" photo).

CANCER IN HONG KONG

The Hong Kong Government are to-day in possession of adequate supplies of radium for the treatment of cancer patients, and estimates having been made for the purchase of a deep X-Ray therapy machine next year, the Medical Department will soon be in a position to combat this malignant disease in the most modern manner.

The report of the Medical Department for 1936 issued this week stated that Government were only in possession of twenty milligrams of radium which was considered entirely inadequate to deal with the number of patients requiring treatment in Government Hospitals. For a time, a certain amount of radium was loaned to the Government Civil Hospital by the trustees of the Matilda Hospital but this supply was withdrawn.

MISUNDERSTANDING

"The withdrawal of this supply was due to a misunderstanding," the Hon. Dr. D. J. Valentine, Director of Medical Services, told the "Sunday Herald" yesterday.

"This misunderstanding was subsequently cleared up and at the present moment, the entire stock has been loaned to Government, with the question of purchase temporarily held in abeyance."

"Government are dealing with the radium in precisely the same manner as did the Matilda Hospital, and it is possible for private practitioners to obtain supplies, sufficient for their requirements, on requisitioning."

500 CASES LAST YEAR

Provision has been made in the 1938 estimates for the purchase of the X-ray therapy machine and the necessary arrangements are expected to be put in hand in the near future.

The annual report reveals that Government and Chinese Hospitals admitted nearly 500 cancer patients in the course of 1936.

House will rise for the Christmas Recess, many subjects, mainly domestic, will be raised in the motion for adjournment.—British Wireless.

NANTAO REFUGEE AGREEMENT

Shanghai, Yesterday.

It is announced that full agreement has been reached between the Japanese authorities and Father Jacquinot, under which the Nantao refugee zone will continue to be administered by the international relief committee.

The Japanese are giving full co-operation in policing and assistance in administration.—Reuter.

BUDGET BILL

Paris, Yesterday.

The Chamber of Deputies yesterday passed the Budget Bill by 547 votes to 25.—Trans-Ocean.

OLD GAOL AS SHELTER

Victoria Gaol, or part of it, is now being used as a shelter for street sleepers.

Also, for the first time in the history of the local Street Sleepers' Society, a shelter for women street-sleepers is now being prepared in one of the vacant buildings of the Government Civil Hospital.

The old St. Peter's Church shelter near the No. 7, Police Station, was opened at the beginning of the month, and on Friday night, the Society opened an additional shelter in the vacant Victoria Gaol, the top floor of the former printing shop being lent by the Government.

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Mystery Woman Enters Spy Story: Japanese "Hikers" Questioned By Military

A mystery woman has entered into the story concerning the recent arrest at Shumchun, of Joseph J. Richards, a British subject on allegation of espionage activities for Japanese agents.

It is revealed that the first and only intimation of the arrest was conveyed to his wife, by a woman who called at her Kowloon residence to inform her of the event.

How the woman became acquainted with the facts has not been explained. Nothing has been heard regarding Richards since he was detained at Shumchun.

The "Sunday Herald" is also able to reveal that the British military authorities have had occasion to question Japanese "hikers" who were found in the vicinity of the British military camp at Lowu.

It is reliably learned that all three were temporarily detained, taken before an officer for questioning and then allowed to go free.

SEOUL CONSUL AND GEN. MINAMI

Seoul (Korea), Yesterday.

According to Japanese reports, pledge of support for the new "provisional government of the republic of China" was extended by Mr. Fan Han-sheng, Chinese Consul-General at Chosen, Korea, to General Minami, Governor-General of Chosen, in an official visit yesterday morning.

The reports add that Mr. Fan Han-sheng told newspapermen that the "leaders of the provisional government were all my seniors when I was in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs."

"I am certain that the Chinese in Chosen have the same belief as mine regarding the new government."—Reuter.

CIRCUS COMING

An advance party of Isako's Circus, which is very well-known in Hong Kong, arrived in the Colony yesterday.

The circus, which is said to have the largest collection of animals yet brought here, will open in Cameron Road on Tuesday.

This new shelter can accommodate about 400 persons. The entrance to the shelter is on the corner of Chancery Lane and Old Bailey.

The Society hopes to open shelters on the mainland and in the Wanchai area, but suitable premises are not yet available.

Funds are still needed to purchase blankets and other necessities and the public is invited to send contributions in money or material to the Hon. Secretary, Miss R. Mow Fung, C/o Messrs. Gilman and Company.

PRESIDENT BOAT COLLECTION

The Kwangtung Chinese Ambulance Brigade acknowledges with many thanks the receipt of donations through Messrs. Tsang Hin Foon and Tsang Hin Sun from the foreign and Chinese members of the crew and some passengers of the s.s. "President Pierce" as follows:—H.K. \$208.00, U.S. \$77.60, and Shanghai \$29.00.

STALIN ORDERS MORE WARSHIPS TO FAR EAST

London, Yesterday.

Stalin has ordered an immediate increase in Soviet naval strength in the Far East, says the Moscow correspondent of the "Daily Express."

Two cruisers, six torpedo-boats and eighteen submarines will proceed to Vladivostok from Sebastopol immediately, says the correspondent.

In addition, he says, the number of troops and planes has been considerably increased within the last week, when 100 machines and 600 pilots arrived in the Vladivostok area.—Trans-Ocean.

HELIUM FOR NEW GERMAN ZEPPELIN

Berlin, Yesterday.

The German steamer which will bring the first big consignment of helium to be used in filling the zeppelin LZ 130, has left Bremen for Houston, Texas.

It is understood the vessel will bring back a considerable part of the 500,000 cubic metres of helium which is the total quantity released for export by the United States Government.

Of the amount, 200,000 cubic metres will be used in the LZ 130, and the remainder kept in reserve for the 1938 flight programme.

The first consignment of helium is expected to arrive at Friedrichshafen at the end of January.—Trans-Ocean.

END OF BRITISH SHIPPING SUBSIDIES

London, Yesterday.

December 31st marks the end of the subsidy which was made available for tramp shipping in respect of each of the three years 1935 to 1937, under the British Shipping Assistance Acts and which was paid in respect of the two years 1935 to 1936.

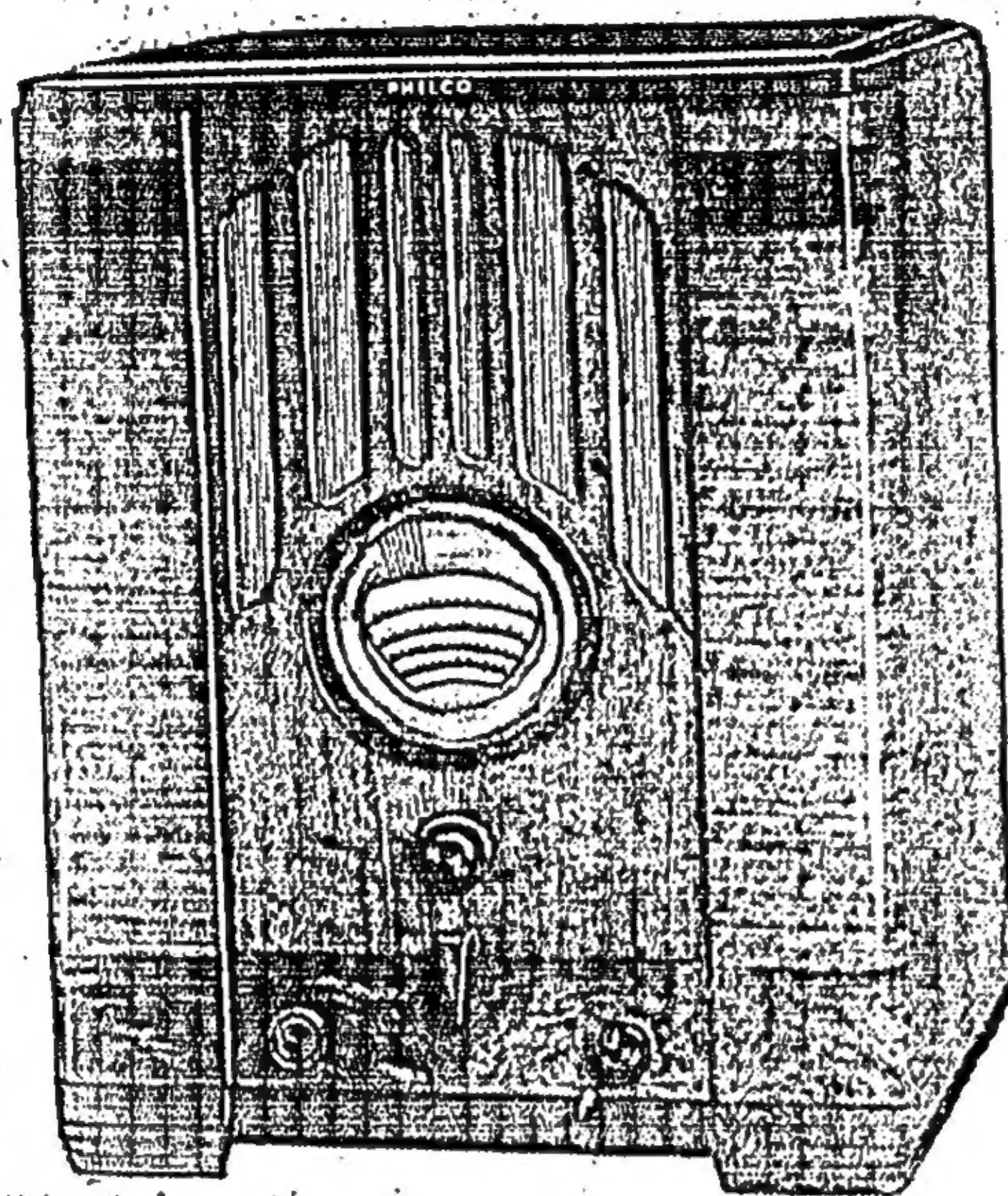
The subsidy will not be payable in respect of the current year as the average level of freight rates for 1937 will exceed the average for 1929.

Arrangements are being made to wind up the work of the Tramp Shipping Subsidy Committee which was set up in accordance with the Acts.—British Wireless.

Stamps are an interesting hobby, and to any collector a package of Colonials of Africa would prove very acceptable. Davitt Stamp Shop, Hennessy Road, have many well assorted packages going at real Christmas prices.

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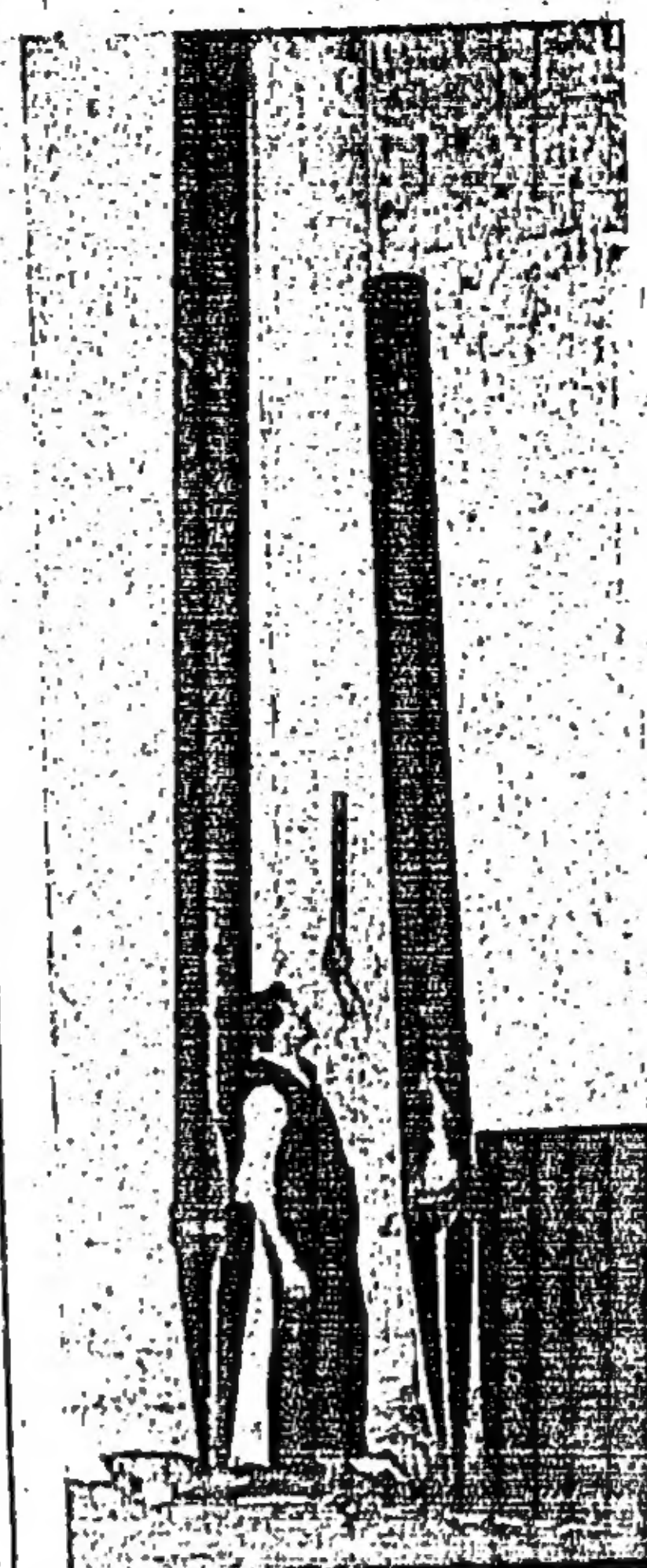
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The organ in Winchester Cathedral which is being reconstructed, has now been returned from the builders and is being put together again. The work will occupy at least six months. Photo shows the largest and one of the smallest pipes which are included in the organ. (Fox Copyright).

Tokyo, Yesterday.
THE triumphant entry of the commander-in-chief of Japanese forces at Nanking, General Matsui, ended without a hitch at 1.45 yesterday afternoon, when high Japanese officers gathered in the former headquarters of the Chinese Government to celebrate the occasion.

COLONY MAKING ENDS MEET

A credit balance on the first nine months of the year of slightly over \$300,000, with total revenue nearly \$3,000,000 in excess of that for the corresponding period of last year, is recorded in the financial statement published yesterday by the Financial Secretary and Colonial Treasurer.

Revenue up to September 30 at \$24,216,677.65 compares with an estimate of \$23,780,250 for the whole year, a figure which it is now expected will be exceeded by more than \$3,000,000.

NEW GERMAN ROAD CELEBRATIONS

Berlin, Yesterday.
Completion of 2,000 kilometres of the famous new German motor-roads was celebrated yesterday by Labour demonstrations all over the country.

Biggest demonstration was in Berlin, where 2,000 roadmakers arrived in buses as guests of Herr Hitler.

They were addressed in the Deutschland Halle by the Propaganda Minister, Dr. Joseph Goebbels. —Trans-Ocean.

EX-IRAK PREMIER IN BEIRUT

Beirut, Yesterday.
The former Iraqi Premier, Nouri Pasha, is said to have arrived here to negotiate with the exiled Grand Mufti of Jerusalem.

Afterwards, Nouri Pasha intends to proceed to Cairo, where he will meet Egyptian Government leaders.

Object of his journey is to discuss the Palestine question, and Nouri Pasha will probably visit Palestine later to talk with the British authorities. —Trans-Ocean.

Following the celebrations, Vice-Admiral Hasegawa issued a statement expressing sincerest regret for the Panay and Ladybird incidents, "which broke out in spite of scrupulous care taken by the Japanese military and naval forces to protect foreign lives and property since the beginning of the present affair."

The statement says that Vice-Admiral Hasegawa is doing his best to secure a fair and equitable settlement of the incidents with all sincerity.

OBJECTIVE FAR OFF

The statement adds that the Sino-Japanese conflict spread to the Shanghai area owing to "Chinese provocation."

Capture of Nanking marks an important turn in the military operations, but the statement says that Japan cannot remain satisfied with today's military achievement, but instead will redouble the efforts to attain the objective of her punitive expedition in China, which is still far off. —Reuter.

TRADING ESTATE DEVELOPMENT IN SPECIAL AREAS

London, Yesterday.

The Commissioner for the Special Areas reports that considerable progress has been made with the development of the North-Eastern Trading Estate at Team Valley, near Gateshead, where 23 factories have been completed, of which 26 are occupied.

Twenty-three factories are in the course of erection and 17 further tenancies have been definitely arranged.

A considerable number of negotiations for tenancies are in progress.

On the South Wales Trading Estate at Treforest, near Cardiff, four tenants are in occupation of factories and 16 further factories are in the course of erection.

The Commissioner's total commitments at the end of November for grants to assist industry, grants for land settlement etc., grants towards cost of schemes urgently necessary in the interests of public health and other grants total £13,999,000. —British Wire- less.

PRINCE BERNHARD IMPROVING

Amsterdam, Yesterday.
Prince Bernhard continues to make satisfactory progress in recovering from his motor accident. Princess Juliana, who is living in the same hospital, now makes frequent visits to her husband's bedside. —Trans-Ocean.

Two cases of dysentery, one of diphtheria, one of scarlet fever and one of cerebro-spinal fever, were reported to the local Health Authorities in the 24 hours ended at midnight on Friday.

St. Stephen's Girls Hold Sale Of Work

EXHIBITING VARIOUS USEFUL ARTICLES, MADE AND PREPARED DURING THE PAST TWELVE MONTHS, THE STUDENTS OF ST. STEPHEN'S GIRLS' COLLEGE, HELD THEIR ANNUAL SALE OF WORK YESTERDAY AFTERNOON IN AID OF THE MINISTERING CHILDREN'S LEAGUE AND LOCAL CHARITIES.

Hundreds of visitors thronged the Kwok Siu Lau Hall of the College, in which most of the stalls were situated.

The sale was officially opened by Mrs. C. Middleton-Smith, who was introduced to the visitors by the Headmistress of the College, Miss E. S. Atkins, supported by the Rev. C. R. Carpenter, Mrs. W. B. Finnigan, wife of the Registrar of the University, the Reverend Y. L. Chung.

In the centre of the Kwok Siu Lau Hall was a Christmas tree with toys suspended from the branches, for which the Kindergarten Section was responsible. Several other, colourful stalls occupied the Hall, and among these was one stall on which were articles made by the students of the Deaf and Dumb School. This was the only stall for which the College's students were not responsible.

Visitors expressed astonishment at the various useful articles which were made by the students themselves, especially the knitted woollen articles and the confectionery and pastry which were almost all sold before the day had well advanced. The Toys' stall was also well patronised.

There were also side shows, games such as darts and table skittles, for which prizes were awarded to successful competitors.

The sale concluded at 6 p.m.

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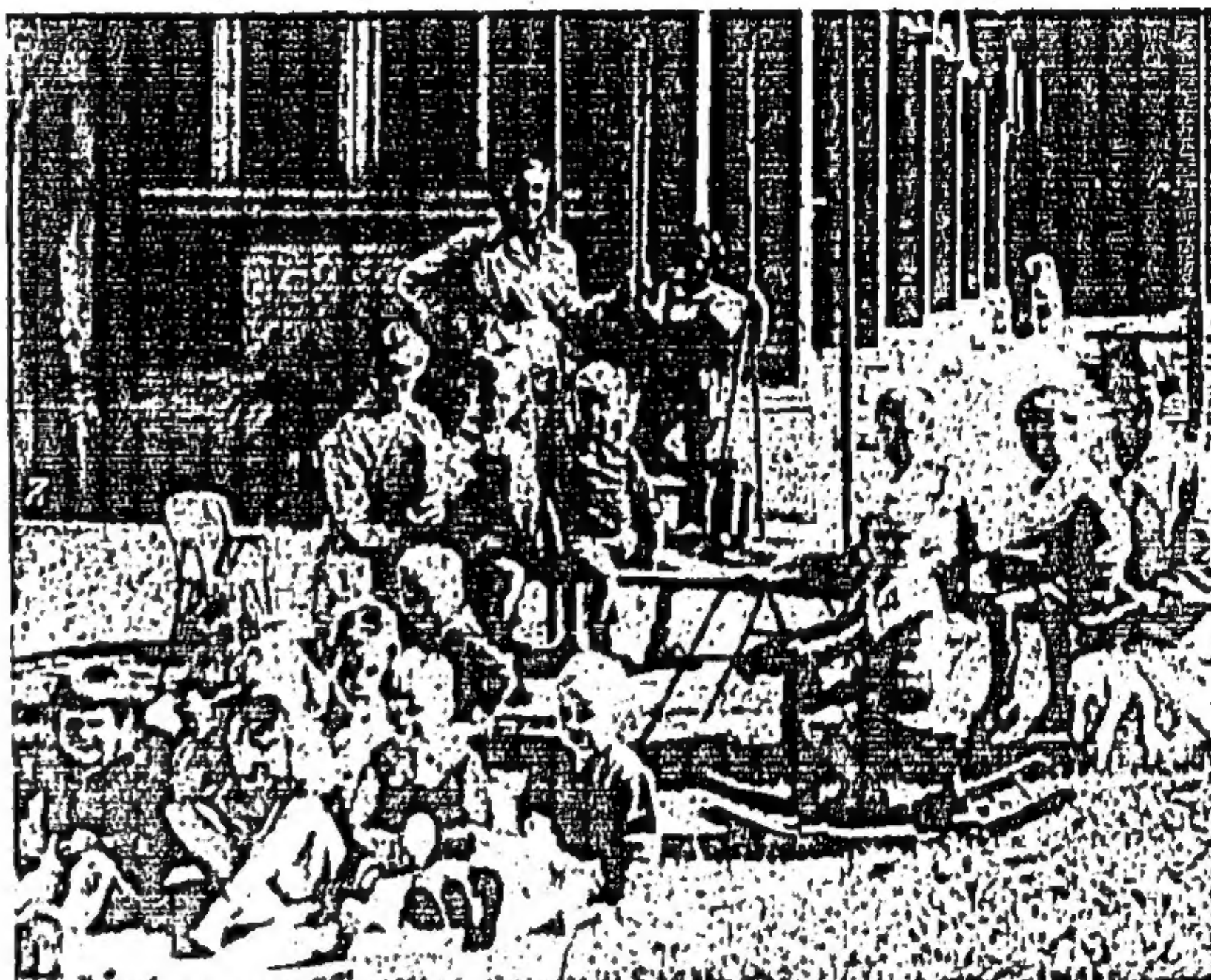
Tokyo, Yesterday.
The Chinese Consul-General in Korea, Mr. Fan Lan-cheng, has openly identified himself with the "provisional government," established under Japanese tutelage in North China, according to reports from Seoul published in the Japanese press.
The reports state that he called upon the Governor-General and informed him that he would, in future, consider himself the representative of the new government.—Trans-Ocean.

THREE FRENCH CRUISERS
REPORTED TO BE
PARTICIPATING

London, Yesterday.

An unexpected feature of British combined naval, military and air manoeuvres now being held in the Suez Canal Zone, is the presence of three French cruisers.

The cruisers arrived at Port Said on Tuesday and later joined in the British manoeuvres.



Some of the children and staff of the Loloma Kindergarten who gave a delightful display for their parents on the eve of the break-up for the Christmas holidays.

Charming Display By
Loloma Kindergarten

Before breaking up for the Christmas holidays on Friday, the children of the Loloma Kindergarten, St. Andrew's Church Hall, entertained their parents with a delightful demonstration at the conclusion of which the Directress, Miss Ruth Ingram and the staff consisting of Miss Roy Booker, Miss Mabel Tillery and Miss Rosemary Skinn received warm thanks for the work they are doing.

The entertainment began with a morning circle where greetings, prayer-song and finger-plays were sung. Then the wee people from 2½ to 4 years sang two pretty action songs, "I have a Dolly dressed in Blue" and "Baby Baby Curly Head". Nursery Rhymes were afterwards dramatized in a charmingly natural way. Kindergarten games preceded an action song, "I'll telephone to tell old Mr. Santa Claus", and selections played by the children with the percussion band was one of the most popular items. Even two and three-year-olds managed their bells, triangles and drums very well.

The second part of the programme consisted of Christmas Carols, recitations by the "over sixes" and presentations to their parents of gifts which they had made, from the Christmas Tree. The arrival of Father Christmas with a sackful of toys was the culmination of a very happy morning.

Mrs. Douglas Orr who has just returned from leave expressed her deep appreciation of the way in which the staff had carried on in so fine a way, and announced that the staff will be at Loloma for the enrolment of pupils on January 4 and that the children will return on January 5.

The following were the children who took part:

Allan Farrar, Rodney Petherick, John Whitefield, Cathrine Pickering, Rosemarie Arndt, Helen Watson, John Peers, Robin Peers, Elizabeth Mills, Shirley Edwards, Christhelm Latille, Rosemary Orr, Brian Gill, Tony Davis, Shona McIntyre, Rudie Watson, Beth Millington, Archie Dykes, Susie Shaw, Geoffrey Orr, Michael Sweet, Jennifer Duncan, John Taylor, Michael Voelcker, Joan Kanis, Roy Boyce, Clyde Cook.

POLISH DEMAND
FOR COLONIES

Warsaw, Yesterday.

Fresh impetus to Poland's demand for colonies has been given by publication in the newspapers of a resolution passed by the Polish Navy and Colonial League.

The resolution expresses the hope that the Polish Government, which has repeatedly come into the open to support of colonial demands, will draw the necessary conclusions from developments in the international situation which have brought the colonial problem into the foreground.—Trans-Ocean.

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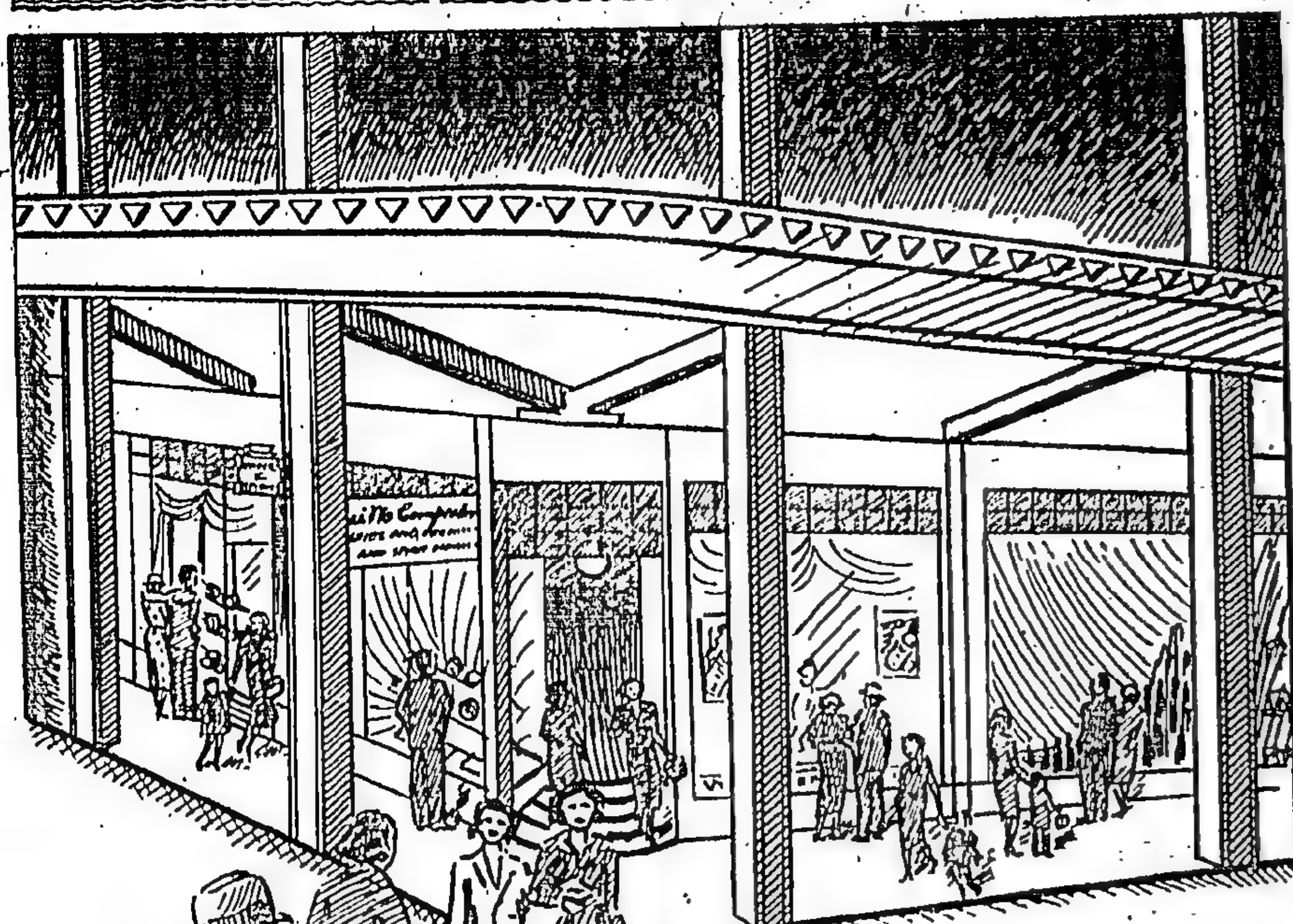


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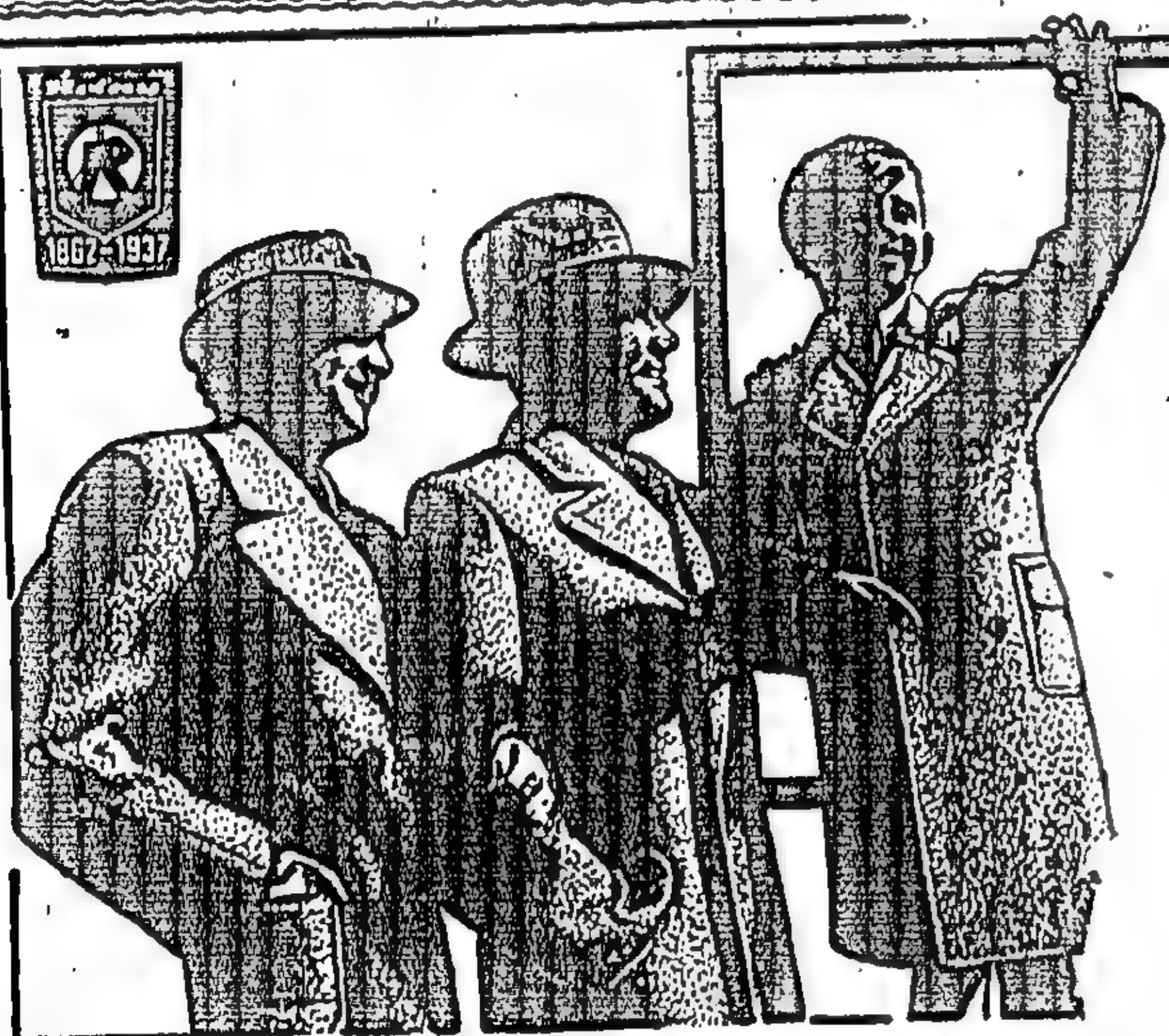
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"THE invariable symptoms of coming depression are accumulating stocks of commodities, rising rates of interest, and falling rates of interest, and falling wholesale prices." — Evening paper.

In other words, when goods are plentiful and cheap, the nations become poorer.

(Note: Those whom the gods wish to destroy they first teach Capitalist economics).

"PROVIDED ex-convicts are not given to violent assault, there's much to be said for them as home helps. You've a hold on them. They've known discomfort, and presumably haven't too high a standard of luxury in living." — Leading article.

I have often thought that the only certain way of keeping servants was to get a blackmail hold on the blighters.

But I'm not so sure of the other idea. Prisons are getting so clean and comfortable nowadays that I wonder whether many ex-convicts would put up with my kitchen. In the interests of housewives, I think the Home Office should be asked to make prison conditions a bit more rigorous.

"GOD made man and the devil made relations." — Lady (Flora) Knollys. Happy family.

ACCORDING to a Press report, seven teachers and 60 young school children have been arrested in Moscow. The teachers were charged with "teaching anti-revolutionary doctrines"; the children with "paying attention to such doctrines."

Very progressive, these Russians. Children must learn not to pay attention to teachers. The amount of time wasted in after life, trying to unlearn what you were taught at school is often one of the greatest impediments to a man's career.

HOWEVER, as the report comes from Warsaw, the story is probably a Utopian dream. One of the few staple industries of a somewhat impoverished country is the Polish manufacture and distribution of anti-Russian propaganda. Last year, I am informed, one Warsaw evidence factory paid 20 per cent.

"GIRL Wins Romance Without Make-up," says a headline.

This extraordinary occurrence naturally gets a prominent place in the news. The idea that any man would want to marry a girl if he sees what's underneath her camouflage has created a depression in the cosmetics industry.

REFERRING to the need for community centres in new housing schemes estates, the Director of Education at Ealing says:—"The working man, when he returns home after a heavy day's work, wants to sit in his quiet home."

And his daughter, little Audrey, laughed and laughed. For she knew she would have the radio on all the evening.

BUT would these builders not suffer mental tortures on learning that they were to die?

They would never know. None of them, I'm sure, can read. Moreover, having no imagination, such creatures cannot anticipate death. Yonder hog, basking blissfully in a pool of slime, is happily oblivious of the butcher's intention; so the speculative builder, wallowing peacefully amid the warts he has reared on the fair

face of nature, shares with the rest of the brute creation a complete indifference to fate.

PROTESTING against the proposed Bill for the unification of coal royalties, Lord Hastings said it would cause panic, as people would fear that no private property would be safe. He asked what royalty-owners had done that they should be singled out for punishment.

"A bad time is coming," he added. "The gloves will soon be off." And when he gets before the P.A.C. to ask for relief as a pauper, they will probably make him take his spats off, too.

SCIENCE has again discovered the Missing Link. This time it is a third lower molar tooth, found in a cave. A biologist says it must have belonged to an ape-like, but direct, ancestor of the human race.

The joke of the thing is that I put it there myself. It fell out of a disused Cabinet Minister to whom I had thoughtlessly given a stick of rock.

But it is really not much fun playing tricks on biologists. Their childlike credulity renders them defenceless against the most obvious deception. I shall not do it again.

DRASTIC reforms, I hear, are being carried out in the Moscow Zoo. Among the charges against the present management is that of—

"Wrecking the animals' nerves by broadcasting in front of their cages the loudest sort of jazz."

Envy of these animals—the only creatures to be defended against the radio—has been roused



"Turn That Radio Off!"

throughout Europe. Applications for admission to the Moscow Zoo are pouring in, and on every hand one sees people endeavouring to cultivate the appearance of the animal they most resemble.

YOU, sir, I presume, will go as "What'sit the Almost Human."

Thank you, sir, a good idea. And you should have no difficulty in passing the barrier as a hippopotamus. Ha-ha.

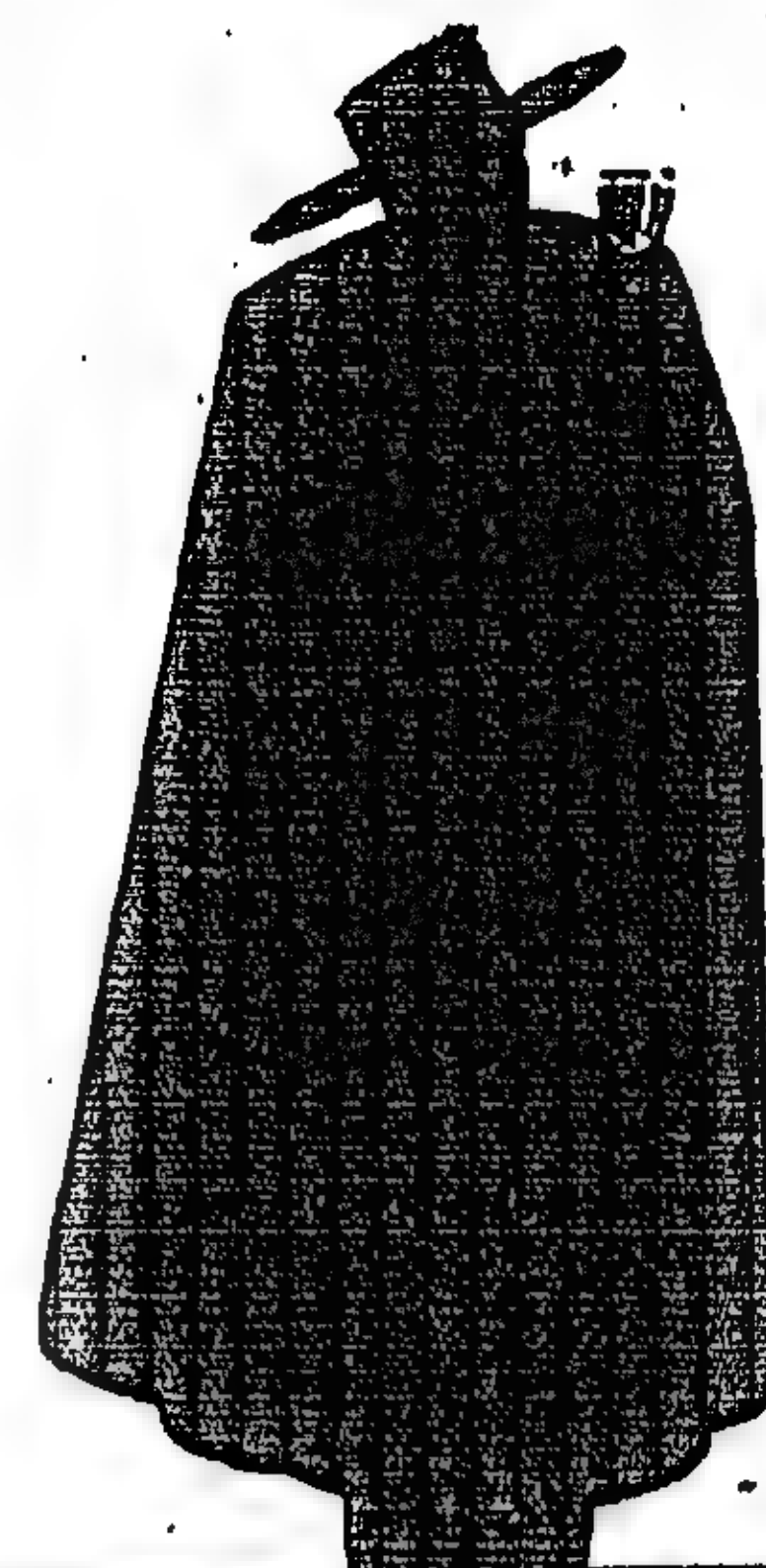
THE Council for the Preservation of Rural England has asked the Government for legislation to defend the countryside against spoliation by private builders by compulsory supervision of plans and designs.

I doubt, however, if private speculative builders can be controlled. Jerry-builders are sub-human, and cannot be taught. The only effective way of dealing with them is that of the ancient Babylonians, who made jerry-building a capital offence.

BUT, Mr. What'sit, is not that contrary to your principle that we have no right to take human life?

Not at all. No one who has gazed upon a typical privately-built housing estate in the country could believe that the creature who did it is human.

However, I would not kill the beast in a cruel way, such as tying him up in the middle of a beauty spot to explode with rage at not being able to spoil it. I would just read him a short lecture on the elementary principles of design, and he could fall into a sleep so deep that he would never wake.



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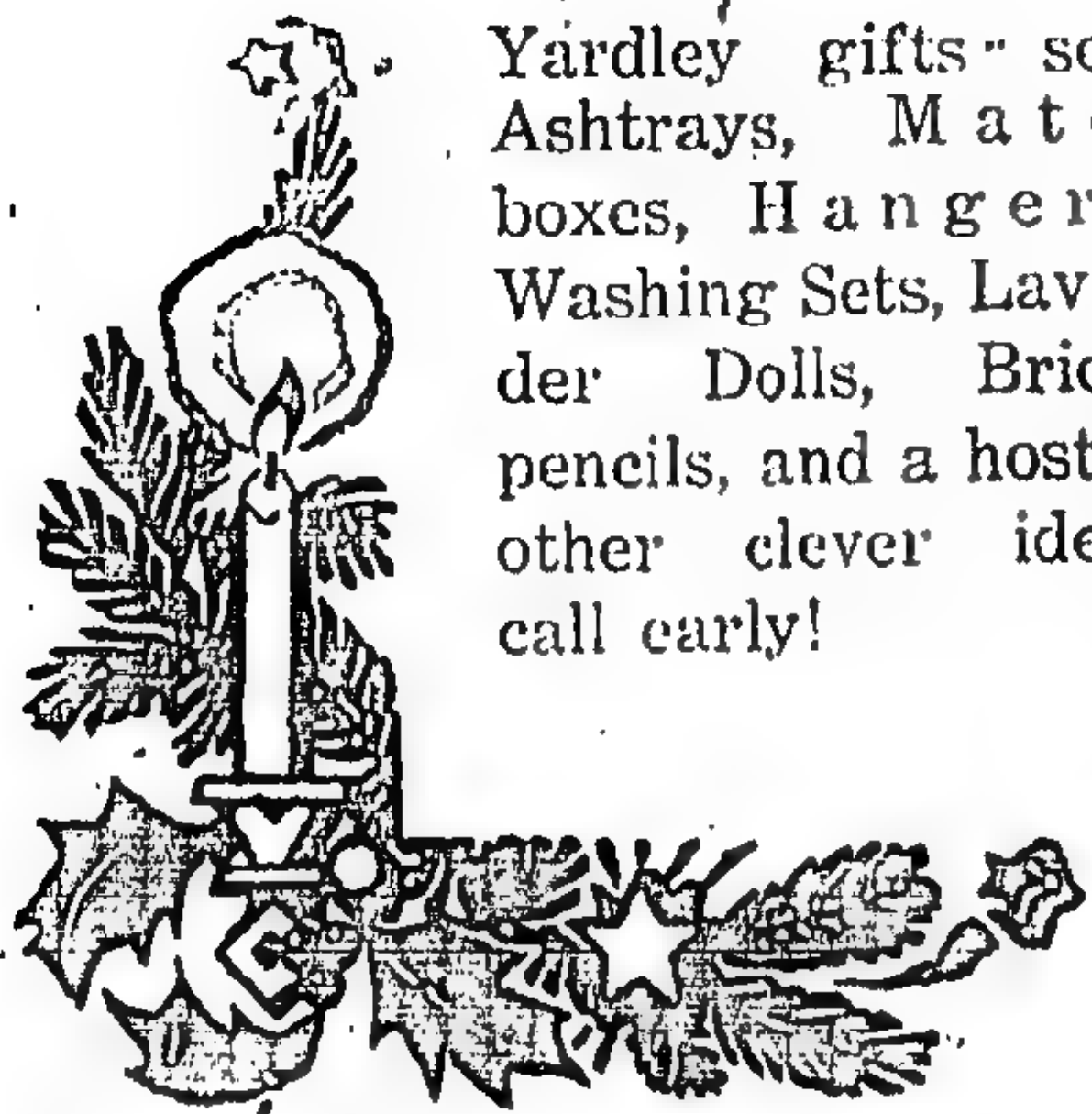
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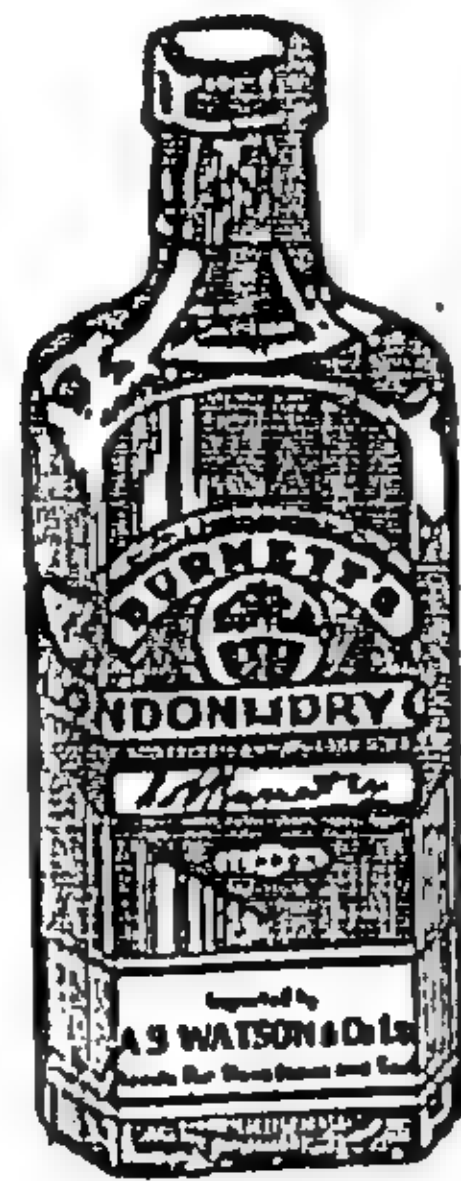
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REVELATION IN CONTRADICTION

EVENTS since the sinking of the U.S.S. Panay and the shell- ing and bombing of British warships in the Yangtze River have been of such a nature as to give added weight to the point of chief emphasis in the Note addressed by the British Government to Tokyo. Apologies, however, profuse and exuberantly plentiful, and promises, however, oft repeated, are only to be judged by evidences of sincerity behind them, and on this basis the conclusion is, regrettably, forced that there is no regret or compunction: nothing more in the protestations than a desire to evade consequences. The kindest assessment of the situation from the viewpoint of the responsible authorities in Tokyo was that they themselves were not responsible for the wanton violation of the British and American flags; that they themselves deplored the excesses of the military. But, midst all apologies, this refuge is not sought, and the Foreign Office spokesman insists that the Japanese forces are completely obedient to the dictates of Imperial Headquarters. It is an insistence that is doubly interesting because of the curious development of completely contradictory explanations of the fully attested fact of the machine-gunning of the Panay while she was sinking and of survivors endeavouring to escape in small boats. While military commanders in Nanking were endeavouring to persuade foreign opinion that this, too, was an "unfortunate mistake," due to the presence of Chinese crews on the Socony boats, "thought to be Chinese soldiers," the Foreign Office spokesman in Tokyo was flatly denying that there were any Japanese surface craft in the vicinity and asserting categorically, that the Panay was not machine-gunned.

It bespeaks an airy disregard of truth and of foreign feelings when the Tokyo Government can permit itself to be so ill-informed regarding what its military leaders are saying to justify themselves and their actions. Consistency in excuse would at least credit the American and British Governments with intelligence; and however lightly Tokyo may feel inclined to view the protests lodged they should not overlook the fact that irresponsibility adds to alienation, and gives strength to the British demand that more be provided than promises, that the British Government be informed precisely what steps are being taken to bring a definite stop to such incidents.

The British Note might have been much sharper. It was undoubtedly hoped, however, that its reasonableness, coupled with a firm tone, would impress the Japanese Government with the gravity of the real issue, and that simultaneous presentation of the American Note would convey in a fashion, pointed, but not too threateningly pointed, how completely the British and American people are of one mind about these unprovoked attacks. For both nations must by now have completely disillusioned themselves of any idea of accidental mis-providence. The attacks are seen, in perspective, as at one with a clearly defined line of Japanese policy. The bullying of China for years; the gobbling of Manchoukuo while asserting no intention of gobbling; the violation of solemn treaties particularly the Nine Power Pact by which Japan still technically stands as a guarantor of China's territorial and administrative integrity; the whole disingenuous story of Japanese military aggression and commercial tyranny in North China; the cynical statements of proposals for new governments in China; the puppet provisional administration just set up; repeated injuries which finally have united China; the arrogant disregard for other nations' rights at Shanghai; the blockade of shipping without declaring war all these things are points about which there can no longer be the slightest misconception. Lord Cecil of Chelwood puts his finger on the crux of the situation, indeed, when he insists that Britain's fusts about the Bee, the Ladybird, the Scarab and the Cricket, is concentration on a minor issue against the direct threat to every real interest Britain has in the Far East. After all, if there is no intention to protect those interests, what object can there be in exposing our gunboats to risk.

THIS WEEK

Long before the fall of Nanking, the event was heralded by Japanese leaders as likely to prove the turning-point in the China campaign. To-day, Japan is still assessing the full consequences of victory, uncertain of the aftermath looming as a result of the militarism run mad which shocked the world when the U.S.S. Panay was sunk and four British warships, two at Wuhu and two at Nanking were shelled or bombed. The outward semblance of calm in the crisis deceives few. Events this week have brought Japan nearer to collision with other Powers than any previous incidents, and the final reckoning has yet to be taken.

Both Britain and the United States have lodged the firmest protests regarding these deliberate attacks, unsatisfied with the mere assurances of the Tokyo Government that full indemnity would be forthcoming. The United States, profiting by British experience, demanded the active interest of the Emperor in the outrage. Britain made it clear that she would want to know the details of measures being taken to bring such "accidents" to a definite stop. Crisis threatens because Japan is sharply divided on the replies to be given. The battle between the moderates and military arrogance is being fought out in Tokyo, with indications at the moment that the moderates are on the defensive. No other explanation could account for the sudden postponement of the National War Council meeting arranged for yesterday.

Clear evidence that the Panay was not only bombed, but machine-gunned by surface craft during the attack above Nanking, has given the Incident a new complexion which has hardened American opinion and shattered the Tokyo belief that swift apology would smooth Japan's way out of the "scrape."

Excuses available to mitigate the seriousness of a bombing raid are worthless in the face of the new facts presented, which show as clearly as could be shown that the Japanese military authorities at Nanking, filled with the heady wine of victory, were prepared to undertake hostile acts against friendly Powers without bothering to conceal their provocation.

Difficulties of various kind still intervene to prevent the complete Anglo-American co-operation which could in itself furnish a guarantee against repetition. American public opinion remains the vital factor in opposition though it is not insignificant at the present juncture that President Roosevelt objects to having his hands tied against swift action if necessary by the burden of a national referendum.

Chiang Kai-shek, in the meantime, has made plain the futility of any idea that the fall of Nanking would mean the conquest of China. If anything, events have stiffened Chinese determination to resist. Soviet Russia is lending active aid without concealment. Japan, strangely enough, seeks this moment to challenge Russia's attitude sharply by raking up a long-standing grievance over the arrest of certain Japanese nationals accused of espionage.

Internal conflict in Japan proceeds with few details allowed to escape for the information of the outside world. Clash impends not solely over the conduct of the campaign in China and the meeting of the demands of the Powers, but over the future form of government in Japan. With the military in control, however, there seems nothing that will prevent the early seizure of power by the advocates of a totalitarian state. In the development.

Mr. Koki Hirota, the Foreign Minister, seems likely to disappear from the political forefront.

The North China Plan is already under way. A "provisional government" has been established under the five-barred Republican flag in Peiping, and only the thinnest veil is spread over the extent of Japanese domination. Taking over of the Customs in Tientsin was among the first acts of the new "government," presenting an early opportunity for closing the Open Door and of involving the Powers in further points of dispute.

Another result of the fall of Nanking is the probability of a large-scale invasion of South China, a threat which has compelled Hong Kong to take suitable precautions. Observation posts have been constructed along the border; and defence preparations generally in the New Territories are on a remarkable scale. The Castle Peak incident last Saturday showed how great is the danger of incidents, apart from which it was twice reported this week that Japanese warships entered British waters on the Mira Bay side of the Colony.

In a matter of purely local interest, Hong Kong received a shock on Wednesday with the publication of the report of the committee responsible for investigation of prison conditions in the Colony. The food cost scandal had been aired earlier, but the report by its minimum of comment succeeded in suggesting that there was a great deal more in this side of the picture than it was wise to investigate too closely. Revelations of the degree of discipline enforced in and of the farcical interpretation applied to a sentence of hard labour were sufficiently startling to ensure that reforms here, too, will not long be delayed. In the development.

SCRUTATOR

Battle Of Ideas: by Sidney Harrison Jazz At A Dead-End

SAVAGES are the only people who are clear about dancing. With them it is a means to obtain the simple necessities of primitive life.

Savages do not need Sir James Jeans's investigations into atoms, nor Toscanini's insight into semicircles, to tell them that rhythm is a mysterious something pervading all natural events.

Like anybody else (if there's anybody else), savages are always hoping to find something fundamental in the universe, and to ask it for favours. If rhythm is a universal quality, then to create rhythm is to act almost as a god. It gives one a sense of communion with all the processes of the world. It is exciting, and even dangerous. Used to its limit it can actually make a man mad.

So, paying a few compliments to those disagreeably touchy deities by sacrificing a fair virgin or a garlanded young bull or some other appropriate gift, a tribe asks for plenty of children, abundant crops and good hunting. The dancers ask, not with written prayers, but with body movements and bodily significant gesture.

So long as people believed in a purpose ritual dancing served a purpose ritual dancing did not stale with repetition, any more than any other religious exercise does. But as soon as ideas and practices of a people, it becomes a museum specimen and dies out.

And the interesting thing is that throughout history, dancing, however apparently superficial or frivolous, has always expressed something fundamental about the way people live. It is, in fact, never completely superficial.

Men might drive it away from religion, and its spirit out of religious music, as the medieval Church did. It nevertheless, survived the attack on the vile bodies of miserable sinners, and, guiding folk's feet round the may-pole, testified to the ease with which the Church would tolerate half-pagan practices so long as they did not involve doctrinal heresy.

When Columbus made many Europeans new-rich with American gold, and established a global world that challenged the old three-decker universe of Heaven,

Earth and Hell, there appeared new dances fit for noblemen and merchants' palaces, and "daring" enough for men who no longer feared excommunication.

When Louis XIV. squandered a poor country's resources on lunatic splendour at Versailles, dancing became the mincing, bowing-and-scrapping, ceremonious exercise that reflected his heartlessness and aloofness from common humanity. It inspired a formal dance that even the genius of Moliere could not always save from it for favours.

When French monarchy went down before the guillotine, the monarchical style of dancing went with it.

And when steam power and imperialism made "common" men rich and brought new ideas of half-democratic individualism, in came the waltz. No bowing and scraping here. A man chose his woman, put an arm round her middle, held her with an intimacy that shocked Lord Byron (if you please!), and swept round the ballroom with Victorian energy.

Schubert, Chopin, Tchaikovsky and Brahms worked on a form which produced the storehouse of Strauss and Lanner popular "winners."

These are merely examples. One could write a whole book about folk dancing, classical dancing, Russian ballet, and so forth, and observe how each style reveals the some important characteristic of the age that fostered it.

But Jazz is perhaps the one most significant at the moment. Also it represents the swiftest evolution from savage rite to sophisticated recreation.

The early slave Negroes in America were quickly bereft of their African culture. The new job involved hard work and the loss of all freedom. Christianity and the English language were, so to speak, thrown in.

Christianity (which the Fascists, quoting Nietzsche, regard as specially fit for slaves) comforted them with stories of a better land, far, far away. It told them of a Moses who could say to no less a person than Pharaoh "Let my people go!" It gave them religious melodies to sing.

But history is never a one-way process. The Negro began to exert a return influence over the scraps of culture his masters had

transformed it into the spiritual. When emancipation came, and the industrial north called the Negroes away from the plantations, there grew up songs of a second exile—the exile from Dixie.

The banjo (an easy, cheap instrument, very rhythmic in character) kept alive the old primitive rhythmic sense and the intuition for improvisation that more academic musicians often lose.

A dance style cannot become general unless it expresses something in the spirit of the age. It was not until the post-war mood found in jazz its minstrelsy that jazz became something more than a passing craze.

The romanticisms were among the casualties of the war. Roses, triumphant love, home fires, and yo-ho-ho for the sea... followed the Unknown Warrior. Instead we had the sense of exile from a pleasanter world lost; the desire to make wloopee in this one; the need for a magic stimulant to the spirits and sedative to the nerves (medicine-man prescription: "Rhythm").

Jazz not only established itself, but reflected with amazing fidelity the changes in world affairs. The "blues" came in with the break-up of the post-war boom and revived for popular consumption the chromatic harmonies that were highbrow in the eighteen-nineties.

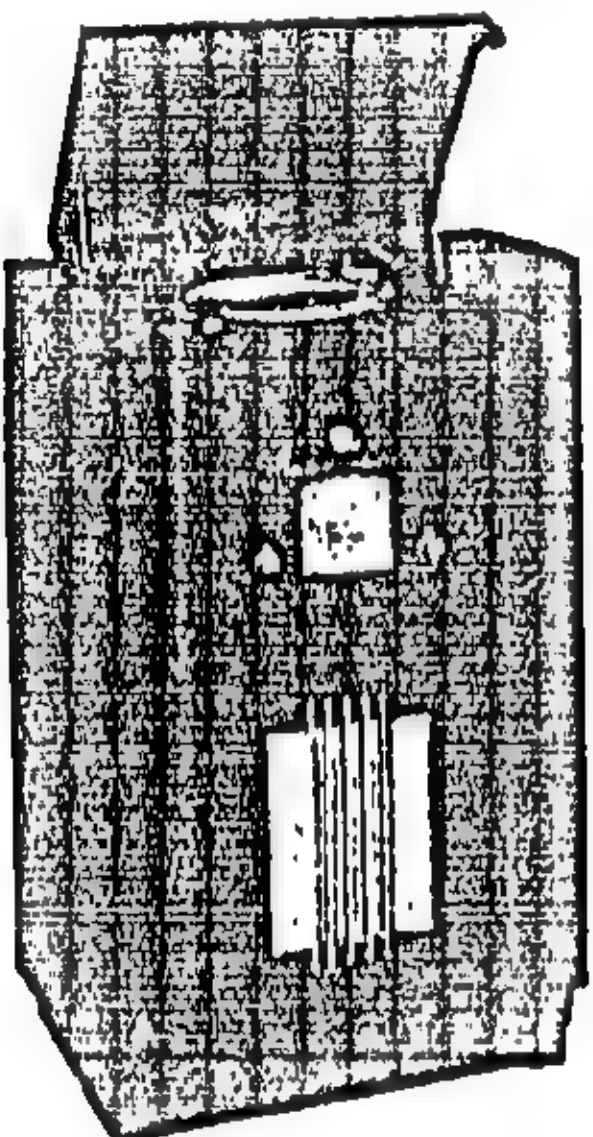
The growing tendency for women to have to fend for themselves, and the loss of self-confidence in men, were reflected in songs about sugars that melted away, entreaties to lovers to come back, body and soul surrenders, and other such defeatist amours.

So accurately did dance music agree with prevailing appetites that a "winner" might last for months and months.

But the world mood is now one of the extreme uncertainty, and though such things as a Fred Astaire film may arouse a little interest, no tune now has a long life, and no significant developments occur.

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DOWNING STREET STATEMENT ON HONG KONG BORDER POSTS

"Far East War Casting Shadow Over British Territory"

MAIN OBJECT TO PREVENT COLONY FROM BECOMING SWAMPED BY REFUGEES

London, Yesterday.

Startling headlines are given in the London evening newspapers to reports of defensive measures which are being taken by the British military authorities in Hong Kong.

Comment, on the whole, is to the effect that the Far Eastern conflict is beginning to cast its shadow over British territory, whereas hitherto the only way the conflict directly affected Britain had been in the shape of damage to its interests.

In political circles, comment has also assumed a pessimistic tone.

A statement issued from Downing Street seeks to allay these fears by pointing out that measures taken in Hong Kong are primarily designed as preparations for coping with fears of a mass evacuation of Chinese refugees from Canton.

close proximity to Hong Kong, and will greatly increase the danger of fresh incidents occurring. —Trans-Ocean.



Smaller children of the Diocesan Girls' School during yesterday's physical culture display. ("Herald" photo).

DEADLY MILITARY CHESS GAME IN CHINA

Shanghai, Yesterday.

A deadly military chess game is being played by the Chinese and Japanese armies as the opposing forces manoeuvre their war machines for the impending big battles.

As the pace of the real-life war game quickens, foreign and Chinese observers are finding the strategy of the rival forces a matter of great speculation.

While both sides rush men, munitions, and supplies to the forthcoming war zones, observers are finding difficulty in naming definite points where the Japanese army will strike.

Nine provinces where feverish manoeuvring is taking place are Kiangsi, Kiangsu, Chekiang, Shantung, Hunan, Anhwei, Fukien and Kwangtung.

"SHANTUNG THREAT"

Meanwhile, driving north along two routes, Japanese army units, according to Chinese reports,

seem to be making a bold bid for Haichow, in northern Kiangsu, located on the Tientsin-Pukow Railway close to the border of Shantung.

This ambitious move is said to be developing slowly, enabling the Japanese army to march into Shanghai from the south, and aid in completing the link by which the Japanese military will claim a stretch of unbroken lines from Peiping to Shanghai. —Reuter.

HYDE-BLACK WEDDING IN KOWLOON

Charmingly dressed in a graceful gown of white satin, the skirt of which formed a slight train at the rear, and wearing a headpiece of orange blossoms with a long embroidered tulle veil, Miss Mary Hyde, of Greenock and Hong Kong only daughter of Mr. James Hyde, became the bride of Mr. Alexander Willie Black, of Messrs. Carmichael and Clarke, only son of Mrs. J. Black, at the Kowloon Union Church yesterday afternoon, the marriage service being conducted by Rev. J. D. MacLean.

The bride entered the church on the arm of her father, Mr. James Hyde, and carried a beautiful bouquet of white candy tuft and white sweet-peas.

Miss Margaret Rodger, in a long blue taffeta gown, and wearing a headpiece of rose-buds and blue forget-me-nots, was the bridesmaid. She carried a posy of pink sweet-peas.

Mrs. William Hyde, Matron of Honour, wore a long fitting dress of hyacinth blue and silver brocade with a coat of suitably matched and a navy-blue halo hat with a veil. She carried a posy of pink sweet-peas.

As page, Master Gordon Hyde was dressed in a white-satin blouse with kilt and lace jabot.

The best man was Mr. W. M. Wright, while Messrs. J. N. Sweeney and H. G. Cooper were groomsmen.

During the ceremony, two hymns "Lead Us Heavenly Father" and "O, Perfect Love" were rendered on the organ by Mrs. F. Short. After the ceremony a reception was held at the Peninsula Hotel.

'Herald's' Two New Records

The "Sunday Herald" which already enjoys the largest circulation of any newspaper in South China, creates, in this issue, two new records in the history of local journalism:

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Readers will note, however, that in spite of this huge volume of advertising, the balance between news and advertising has been preserved and that to-day's paper contains 4,582 inches of reading and feature matter as compared with its 4,218 inches of advertising.

More than 230 advertisers are represented, and the confidence placed in the "Herald" as the best advertising medium in South China is reflected in the following bookings for to-day's issue, including eight full pages and twelve half pages. Messrs. Whiteaway, Laidlaw and Co. top the bill with a two-page spread, which we believe is the first such enterprise by a local department store. Johnnie Walker occupy the front page of the feature section and H.B. Beer the back page. The Gloucester Hotel, Texas Company, Dewar's Whisky, and Ovaltine have all taken full pages, while half pages or four column advertisements have been taken by the following: White Horse Whisky, Shell, Frigidaire, China Emporium, L. Rondon and Co., Filmo Depot, Lane, Crawford's, Dairy Farm, Findlater's, Hong Kong Hotel, La Perla del Oriente Tobacco Company, and Tone Monitor Radio.

Special articles cover the Christmas field from every angle and several well-known local contributors are represented.

POLICEMAN ON POINT DUTY AND ROYAL CAR

London, Yesterday.

The newspapers publish an interesting detail in connection with the slight motor accident in the West End in which the King and Queen were involved.

A policeman on point duty, not realising who the occupants were, treated the King's chauffeur brusquely, ordering him to "get a move on and not hold up the traffic." —Trans-Ocean.

TYPHOID BREAKS OUT IN SPAIN

Paris, Yesterday.

Typhoid has broken out on the Spanish war front and has added to the hardships of the troops, according to reports from Spain.

Both sides have suffered many deaths from the scourge.

Meanwhile, fierce fighting has started on the Teruel front, though little reliable news of the progress made by either side is available.

It seems, however, that the Republican troops have launched an offensive, and that in spite of inclement weather, they have made some progress. —Trans-Ocean.

PANAY OUTRAGE BOYCOTT

Washington, Yesterday.

A boycott of Japanese goods has been proclaimed by the American Federation of Labour as protest against the Panay outrage.

The outrage has already resulted in a number of demonstrations against Japan in various parts of the United States.

More than 200 cases of Japanese goods were burned in Ohio in the presence of a large crowd. —Trans-Ocean.

LITHUANIA AND POLAND

Riga, Yesterday.

Reports of impending improvement in relations between Poland and Lithuania, were categorically denied by the Lithuanian Foreign Minister in a statement to the press yesterday following the conference of Foreign Ministers of the Baltic States.

There was no question of negotiations between the two countries, he declared. —Trans-Ocean.

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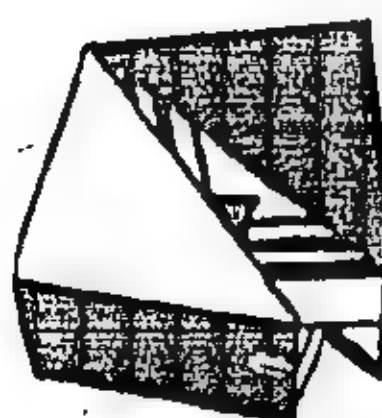
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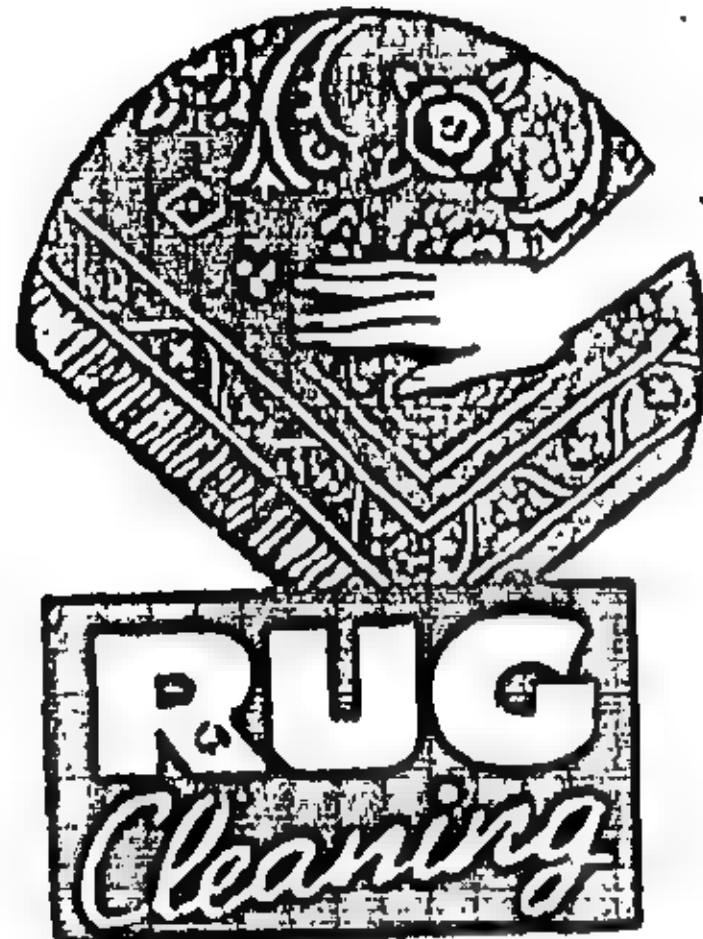
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Anglo-American Trade Pact May Be Contributory

PROLONGATION OF STANDSTILL PACT

London, Yesterday.

Desire for further clarification of the world economic situation, and a progressive Anglo-German rapprochement, was voiced by the German Ambassador, Herr Joachim von Ribbentrop, at the annual dinner of the German Chamber of Commerce in London.

Many leading German and British economic experts were present.

After toasts to the King and Herr Hitler had been drunk, the German Ambassador said that political and economic relations between the two countries were very intimate, and affected each other mutually and very profoundly.

"When Anglo-German political relations are good, then economic relations are good also."

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"I hope that one day, through the goodwill and co-operation of the two countries, all those circumstances which to-day cloud the outlook, will be removed."

ANGLO-U.S. TREATY

Dr. Otto Fisch, the prominent German industrialist, expressed the hope that the forthcoming Anglo-American trade treaty would contribute to relaxation of economic tension, and that Germany would benefit from the arrangement to be made.

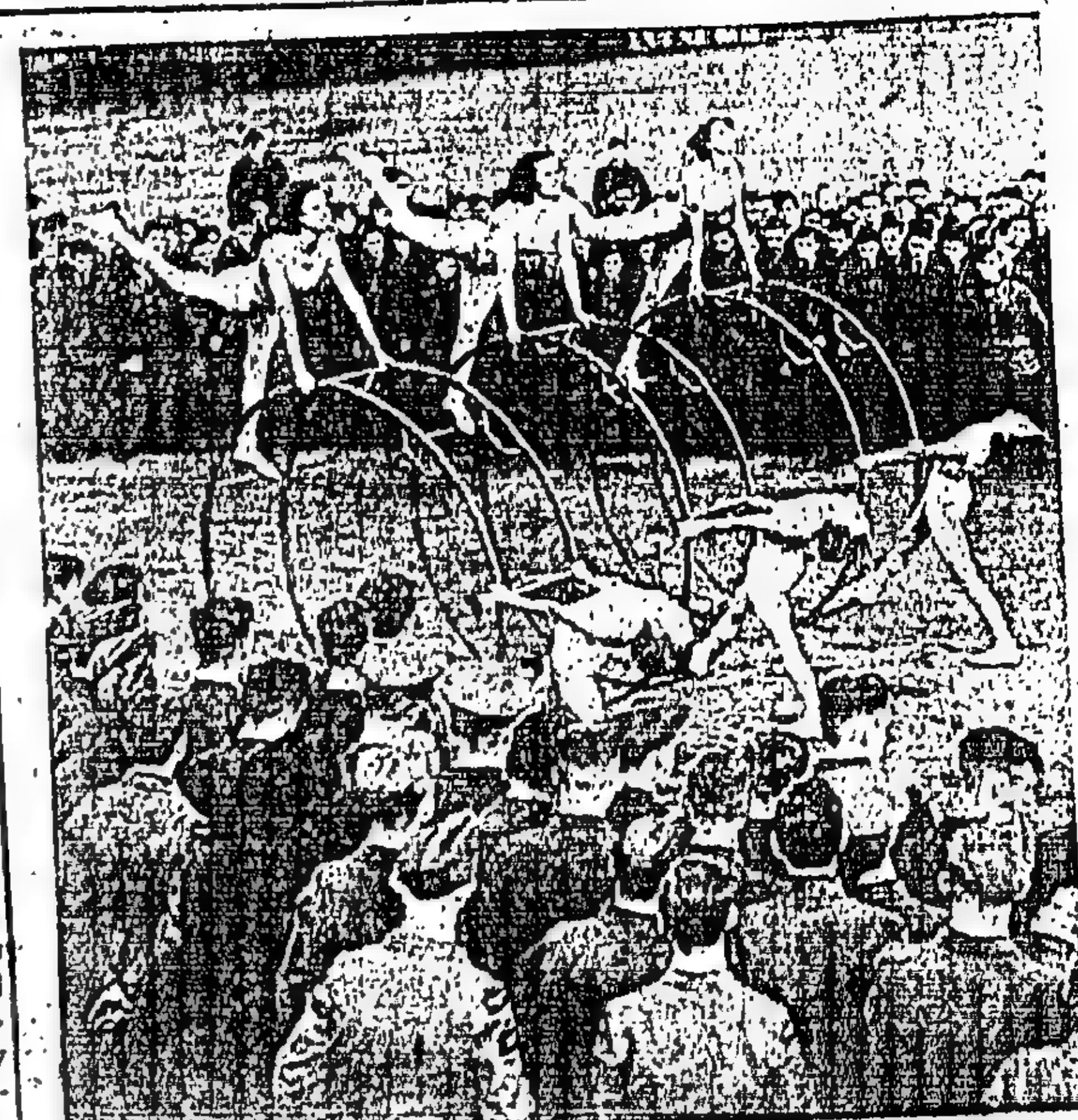
He hoped that prolongation of the Standstill Agreement would prove to be one more indication of Anglo-German economic rapprochement.

Mr. Thomas St. Quintin Hill, assistant secretary of the Commercial Relations Department of the Board of Trade, stressed the excellent results accruing from the Anglo-German Standstill Agreement.

FOREIGN CREDITS

Sir Geoffrey Clarke, President of the British Associated Chambers of Commerce, emphasised that there were signs of continuous improvement in international trade, and stated with conviction that it should be the aim of every country that could afford it, to give foreign credits to the limit of its capacity.

The President of the London Chamber of Commerce and the chief of the German Chamber of Economics also spoke.—Trans-Ocean.



The R.A.F. pupils at Cranwell school were given a rare treat when girls from the London Casino Rhoad Troupe gave a special display with aero-wheels such as are to be used for physical training in the R.A.F. Here the girls are seen demonstrating. (Copyright: By Air Mail).

BRITAIN'S REAL PERIL IN THE FAR EAST

London, Yesterday.

Viscount Cecil of Chelwood, chairman of the League of Nations Union, made a startling statement in regard to Italy's withdrawal from the League of Nations, in an address delivered in London last night.

Signor Mussolini, he said, had decided to cut adrift from Geneva simply because he was afraid it would succeed, in its mission of preserving peace.

Turning to the Far East, Viscount Cecil said that Japanese invasion of China presented a far

greater peril for Britain and British interests than did any attacks that were made on British ships and British nationals in the Far East.—Trans-Ocean.

NEW SUBMARINES

Rome, Yesterday.

Three new submarines built for the Brazilian Government in Italian shipyards at Spezia, sailed yesterday for Brazil.

The submarines, accompanied by a steamer, will make their first call en route at Algiers.—Trans-Ocean.

MISS COLLEDGE RETAINS TITLE

London, Yesterday.
The world champion figure skater, Miss Cecilia Colledge, successfully defended her English title at Wembley Stadium against the skating elite of the nation.

Cecilia obtained a total of 1946.8 points, although Miss Megan Taylor, who came second with 1883.8 points, achieved a higher score in compulsory figures.

Graham Sharp defended his title and, with 1926.8 points, defeated Frederick Tomlin (1852.2 points). Leslie and Violet Cliff easily won the pairs skating event.—Trans-Ocean.

FRANCO-TURKISH ARMY TALKS

Ankara, Yesterday.
A conference between French and Turkish military officials began at Ankara yesterday.

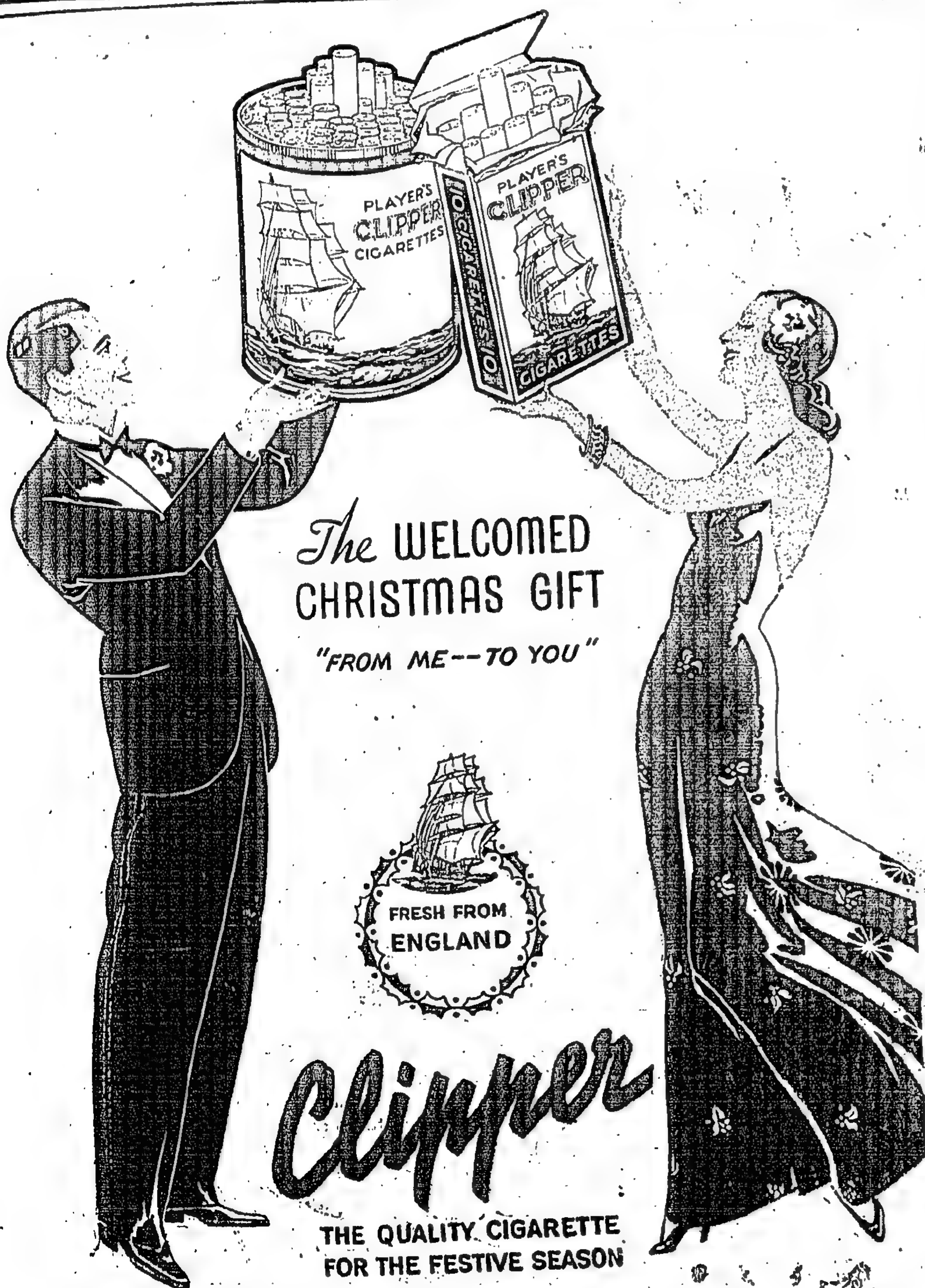
The conference is being held in accordance with the treaty relating to the Sanjak of Alexandretta, concluded between the two countries at Geneva in May, 1937.

According to terms of the treaty, Franco and Turkey are committed to joint measures in the face of any attack on the territory of the Sanjak.—Trans-Ocean.

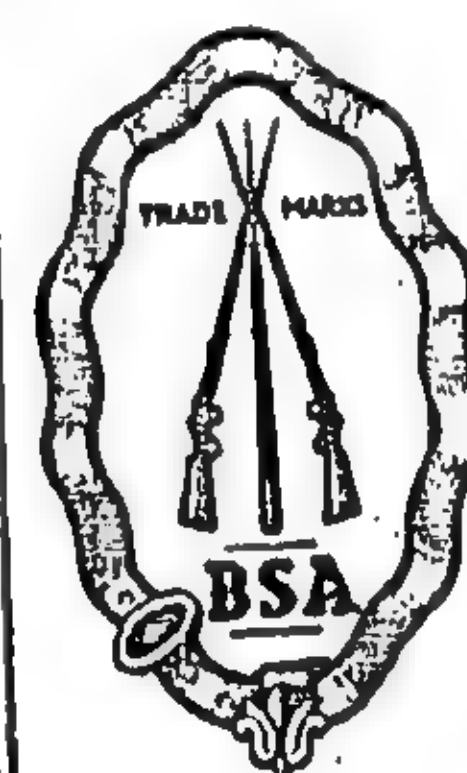
NON-INTERVENTION MEETING

London, Yesterday.
Next meeting of the non-intervention committee will take place on Dec. 22.

According to reliable reports, the meeting called for the purpose of considering procedure in withdrawing foreign volunteers from Spain, led to no agreement, although it is declared that details of the plan were discussed.—Trans-Ocean.



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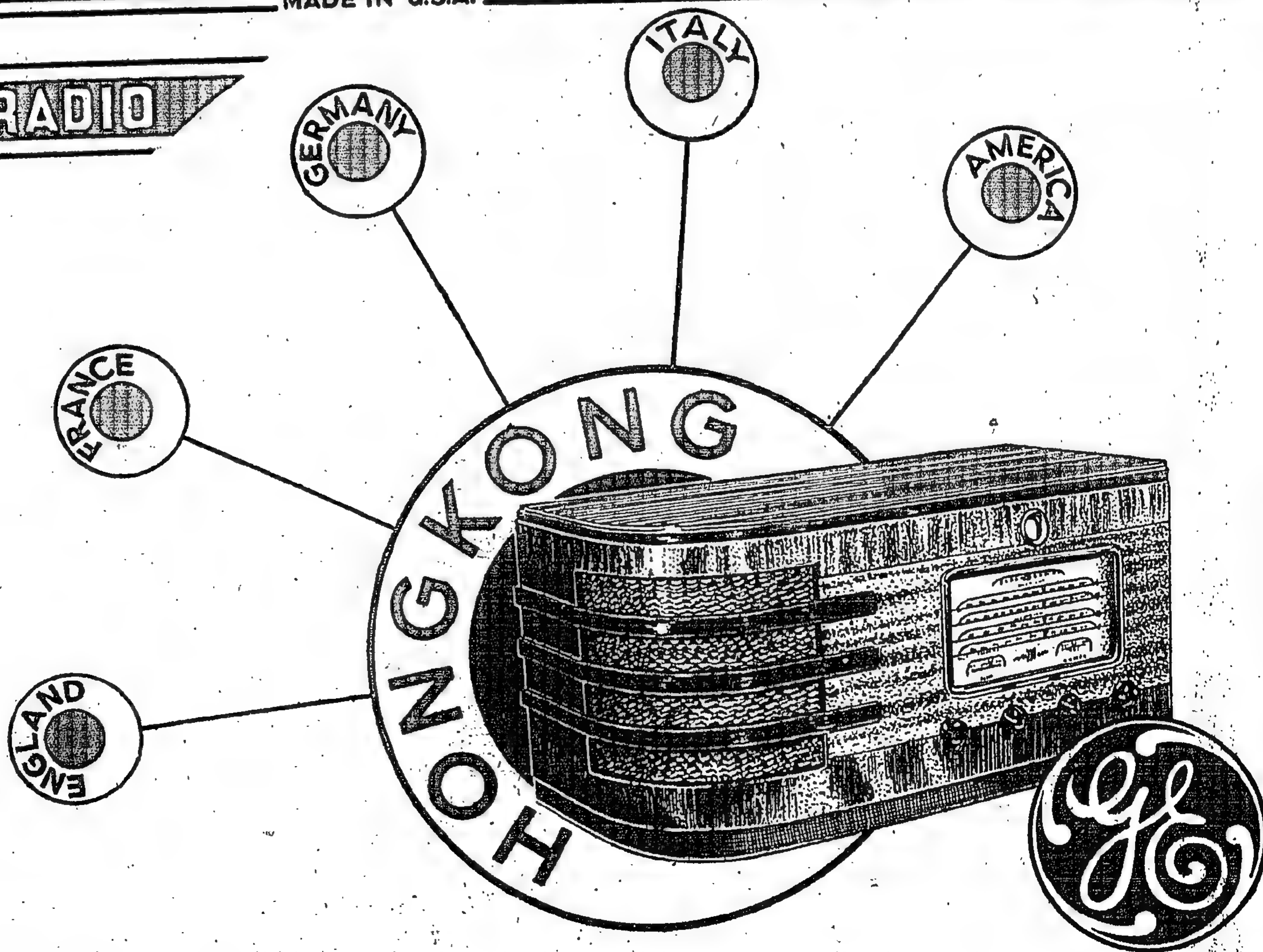
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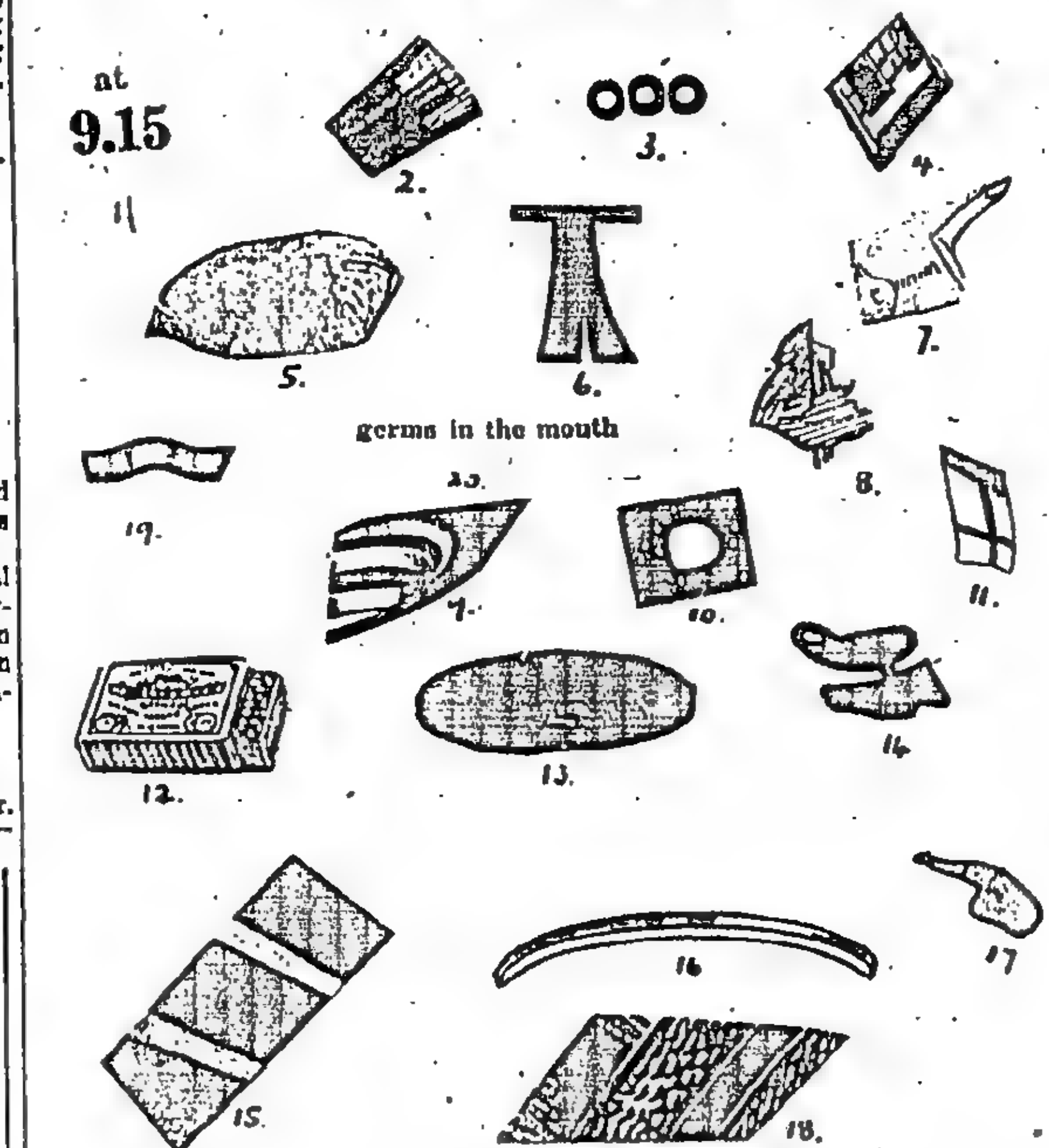
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Christmas Prizes
Two Easy Competitions
For Readers

Above are to be seen twenty cuttings from advertisements to be found in different parts of to-day's issue of the "Sunday Herald".

The task of the competitor is to identify each clipping with the advertisement from which it was obtained.

The first four correct entries opened will receive prizes in the following order:

1. Three bottles Johnnie Walker Red Label Whisky.
2. Two pint bottles, Duc de Maine Champagne from Gilman's Wine Dept.
3. A selection of any felt hat from Mayo's Shoppe.
4. A credit chit for \$10 at the Little Shop.

The Editor's decision will be final and no correspondence can be entered into regarding the competition.

CUTTING COMPETITION

Fill in the form below and forward it to the "Sunday Herald" on or before Tuesday at 5 p.m. The result will be published in the "China Mail" on Thursday.

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FIFTEEN-POUND
TURKEY FOR
SIMPLE QUEST

A 15-lb turkey, presented by the Dairy Farm, Ice and Cold Storage Company, will be awarded for another simple quest, the discovery of a misplaced line in one of the 230 odd advertisements in this issue of the "Sunday Herald".

The prize will be awarded to the first correct identification of the advertisement opened after 5 p.m. on Tuesday next, December 21, when all entries must be in. The Editor's decision will be final.

The result will be announced in all editions of the "China Mail" on Thursday.

FRENCH VETERAN
SEES HITLER

Berlin, Yesterday. Herr Hitler yesterday received the blind French war veteran, Georges Scarplet, President of the Franco-German Committee.

The Fuehrer also received a group of Nazi Storm Troops who had completed a six-months course of political schooling. — Trans-Ocean.

GERMANY'S
MILLIARD
MARK LOAN

Berlin, Yesterday. The new German internal loan which will be issued at the beginning of January will total one milliard marks.

This is higher than each of the three internal loans issued in 1937, which together totalled two milliard marks.

One quarter of the new loan has already been taken over by savings banks and insurance companies, and the remainder is to be obtained by public subscription.

The loan will bear interest at 4½ per cent.—Trans-Ocean.

LOCAL SHARE
MARKET

Following is the list of changes and enquiries in local share quotations yesterday:—

BANKS
Hong Kong Bank (Lon. Reg.) £90 b.
Canton Ins. £270 b., \$272½ sa.

INSURANCES
DOCKERS, WHARVES, GODOWNS, ETC.

SHIPPING
Douglases \$48½ b.
H. K. Steamboats \$9.10 b.

PUBLIC UTILITIES
China Lights (Old) C. R. \$11 b.
China Lights (New) C. R. \$10.80 b.
Macao Electric \$19 b., \$10½ a.
Sundakan Lights \$14½ b.

INDUSTRIALS
Cements \$12½ a.
MISCELLANEOUS
Entertainments \$5 b.
Constructions (New) \$1 b.
China Lights Rights \$5 b., \$5 sa.

LOCAL DOLLAR

The demand rate on the Hong Kong dollar this morning was 1/2%.

"Spot" silver was quoted at 19-1/16 and "forward" at 18-7/16.

The London on New York cross-rate was quoted at \$—U.S.\$4.9965 and the New York on London rate at \$—U.S.\$4.99-11/16.

Singapore Raw
Rubber

Messrs. H. B. Joseph and Co., yesterday received the following quotations in Straits Currency for Raw Rubber:

Jan/March 24-½ b. down ¼.
April/June 24-½ b. down ¼.
July/Sept. 25-½ b. down ¼.
Market: Stagnant.

TREASURY BILLS

London, Yesterday. The total amount applied for in tenders for £50,000,000 of treasury bills was £76,744,000. The average rate per cent. for bills at three months was 13/9.17d against 15/8.91d a week ago. — British Wireless.

COVENTRY LOAN

London, Yesterday. The Coventry City Council has approved the issue of £1,500,000 3½% stock to be issued at 101, redeemable 1960/64.—British Wireless.



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BEAR CLAW TOO GOOD FOR KING'S WARDEN IN THE CHAMPIONS

Able Amazon's Amazing Comeback

LIANG WINS JOCKEY CHAMPIONSHIP

OWNERS' HONOURS GO TO MR. LI LAN SANG

FINE weather favoured the final day's racing of the 1937 Jockey Club season yesterday at the Valley and a very large crowd was present for the running of the three Champions events. Cash sweeps were highly satisfactory, while the racing was very keen indeed, despite the comparatively small dividends. Firstly, however, rained the average with a surprise win in the last race, paying \$129.20 and \$34.90, while Gold Sovereign, beaten by two lengths, paid \$46.40. The "Double"—Commencement Bay and A Great Time—paid \$30.30.

Gordito, Bear Claw and Able Amazon were crowned champions of their classes, though the absence of Strathroy robbed the Australian classic of much of its interest.

Mr. S. C. Liang relieved Mr. D. Black of the jockey championship by virtue of three wins yesterday, the black securing only two, Mr. Liang's 26 winners in a season represents one second lowest figure in the last 10 seasons, Mr. T. L. Young having had 26 wins in 1925. Mr. Black had 26 last year. Mr. Liang, however, secured two of his wins at the Valley, where he had not won since 1925.

Mr. Li Lan-sang headed the owners list with 15 wins as against Mr. L. Dunbar's 14.

The following are the final standings of the jockeys:

Jockey	1st	2nd	3rd	Un.
S. C. Liang	23	14	21	68
D. Black	20	19	11	68
H. C. Pih	24	23	18	70

OWNERS

Owner	1st	2nd	3rd	Un.
Lan	18	17	10	75
L. Dunbar	14	10	8	78
Eu Tong Sen	13	19	16	8
Dynasty	11	3	5	8

Mrs. Dunbar, with 9 firsts, five seconds and five thirds, was the leading lady owner, while the one-pony Gordos stable had seven wins, three seconds and two thirds.

GORDITO'S EASY WIN
Tabby Cat did not get away from the gate fast enough in the Suba Champions, which attracted four starters, and as a consequence Gordito (Mr. Liang) went to the front and set its own pace. Mr. Tao tried to ride Tabby Cat into the lead but failed and had to be content with second place until the Rock, where it was passed by both Coronation Day and Shipmaster. Mr. Tang started whipping his mount shortly after, but Gordito maintained its lead of approximately eight lengths and won in a canter. Shipmaster (Mr. Black) just had enough stamina left to secure second place from Coronation Day.

Mr. Liang's success in this race gave him the lead in the jockey honours for the first time this season, but Mr. Black was on love terms again when Ranger won the next race, in which Mr. E. L. Tao took a spill, fortunately without injuring himself, from Australian Boy at the Rock. The pony completed the race and then went twice round the track before being caught.

MR. BLACK'S FINE RIDING
As expected, only three ponies faced the starter for the Autumn Champions, King's Warden (Mr. Liang) going to the post a hot favourite. Wild Life took the lead and set a fast pace, with King's Warden on its tail and Bear Claw a length behind. This order was maintained until after passing the Rock, when Bear Claw (Mr. Black), given its rein, shot to the front, literally leaving the other two standing. King's Warden recovered quickly, but the race had been won and lost in that fraction of a second. Bear Claw won by two lengths, thus recording its second



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4—Dilatory Handicap—Jockey Allowance. Six Furlongs.

H. B. L. Dowbiggin's Ebony Idol 108 lb. (B. A. Proulx) 1
Metcalf's Emergency Call 140 lb. (B. L. Tao) 2
L. Reidy's Lancashire Tich 140 lb. (S. W. Tang) 3

Also ran: Happy Venture, 135 lb. (N. Doitz); Mac's Adventure, 135 lb. (H. C. Pih); National Faith, 140 lb. (S. L. Yuen); Popular Star, 140 lb. (K. S. Shu); Racing Strain, 140 lb. (D. Black); and Radium, 142 lb. (T. Fung).

9 starters. Won by a short head; a head. Time: 1:33.4.
Pari-mutuel, winner \$13.20; places, 1st \$7.40; 2nd \$12.50; 3rd \$16.40.

5—Tardy Handicap—One Mile. L. Dunbar's Commencement Bay 140 lb. (S. L. Yuen) 1
Lan's Jungle Jim 164 lb. (K. I. Ip) 2
T. K. L.'s Soldier of China 158 lb. (C. L. Gregory) 3

Also ran: King's Bounty, 143 lb. (G. R. Cheape); and Tyne, 168 lb. (R. M. Wood).

5 starters. Won by 2 lengths; a head. Time: 2:04.4.
Pari-mutuel, winner \$12.00; places, 1st \$7.20; 2nd \$9.40.

6—Queensland Autumn Champions—1 1/2 Miles. Eu Tong Sen's Blandford 102 lb. (N. Doitz) 1
Lancashire's Lancashire 102 lb. (H. C. Pih) 2
Also ran: Gypsy Love, 155 lb. (B. L. Tao) 3

4 starters. Won by a length; 2 lengths. Time: 2:15.0.
Pari-mutuel, winner \$14.30; places, 1st \$10.10; 2nd \$19.50.

7—Last Chance Handicap—Jockey Allowance. One Mile. L. Dunbar's Discovery Bay 100 lb. (S. C. Liang) 1
L. Dunbar's Discovery Bay 100 lb. (S. C. Liang) 2
Van Weerden's Llangollen 100 lb. (B. A. Proulx) 3

Also ran: Strathcarrick, 100 lb. (C. L. Gregory).

4 starters. Won by 2 lengths; 5 lengths. Time: 1:40.1.
Pari-mutuel, winner \$11.00; places, 1st \$6.10; 2nd \$9.00.

8—Final Handicap—Jockey Allowance. One Mile. L. T. F.'s Gold Sovereign 140 lb. (W. G. Poy) 1
H. A. Brown's Sylvanella 151 lb. (B. A. Proulx) 2
Also ran: Daylight Eve, 140 lb. (D. Black); Diogenes, 140 lb. (S. W. Tang); Gold Coin, 145 lb. (F. F. Li); Good Morning, 149 lb. (B. C. Pih); Laughing Cavalier, 140 lb. (P. P. P.); Royal Consort, 143 lb. (A. C. Pih); Voltaire, 148 lb. (K. S. Shu).

12 starters. Won by 2 lengths; half length. Time: 2:04.3.
Pari-mutuel, winner \$129.20; places, 1st \$34.90; 2nd \$45.49; 3rd \$16.00.

2—Laggards' Handicap—Jockey Allowance. One Mile. Johnson and Alabaster's Ranger 105 lb. (D. Black) 1
Dr. S. N. Chau's Derby Day 145 lb. (S. L. Yuen) 2
P. A. P.'s Snowy River 135 lb. (H. C. Pih) 3

Also ran: Australian Boy, 155 lb. (D. L. Tao); Arctic, 142 lb. (S. C. Liang); Tor, 144 lb. (L. P. P.); and Perfect Day, 144 lb. (B. L. Tao).

7 starters. Won by 2 lengths; 1 1/2 lengths. Time: 1:48.0.
Pari-mutuel, winner \$15.50; places, 1st \$7.70; 2nd \$21.10; 3rd \$10.00.

3—Hong Kong Autumn Champions—1 1/2 Miles. Mrs. L. Dunbar's Bear Claw 161 lb. (D. Black) 1
Dynasty's King's Warden 161 lb. (S. C. Liang) 2
L. Dunbar's Wild Life 161 lb. (S. W. Tang) 3

3 starters. Won by 2 lengths; many lengths. Time: 2:28.0.
Pari-mutuel, winner \$13.40; places, 1st \$16.40.

CASH SWEEPS

Race 1 \$1747.20
No. 435 3057 400.20
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Unplaced runners (\$50 each), Nos.: 204.

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RUMJAHN AND MRS. CHIU IN FINAL AGAIN

Fourth Year in Succession

H. D. Rumjahn and Mrs. Chiu Chun-chiu entered the Final of the Colony Mixed Doubles Lawn Tennis Championship for the fourth time yesterday afternoon when they defeated A. E. P. Guest and Miss Madge Griffiths by 4-6, 6-4, 6-1 under by no means ideal conditions.

The court had apparently been watered heavily during the morning and the surface was very damp in places, so much so that the ball refused to travel the distance several occasions during the match.

Guest and Miss Griffiths did not show the same understanding they did in the Mixed Doubles League two seasons ago.

Guest was made to carry the brunt of the attack and with the exception of some very rare cross-court drives from his partner, was responsible for the majority of points won. Miss Griffiths' weakness on the backhand was most noticeable.

TOO MUCH POACHING
H. D. Rumjahn played his usual game, his powerful drives on the forehand, splendid overhead work at the net and mid court providing the main features of the match. Rumjahn made the mistake, however, of underestimating his colleagues' play in the closing stages of the first set, and poached incessantly, leaving his side of the court open to attack, and the advantage was not slow to take advantage of it. In the second and third sets Mrs. Chiu's forehead and backhand stood up to their task magnificently, and she proved much superior to Miss Griffiths.

WALK-OVER DEMANDED
E. C. Fincher and Miss Rose Perry were given a walk-over by the Chinese Recreation Club Committee in their semi-final match against Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Burnett due to the fact that Burnett was unable to secure leave from his firm yesterday afternoon.

We are given to understand that Miss Perry insisted on playing yesterday afternoon, despite her opponent's request for a postponement, as she planned a trip to Macao.

The Final will be played on Monday, December 27.

YACHTING RESULTS
The third Corinthian series of yacht races under the auspices of the Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club, was called yesterday and resulted in Acrid, sailed by Mr. C. D. A. Ross, winning the "H" Class event over a course of 10.1 miles.

Kittiwake, sailed by Miss P. M. King, won the "A" Class event, while the "G" Class, over a course of 8.7 miles, was won by Owl, (Mr. S. Findlay).

The "F" and "Y" Classes event was won by Sirius, sailed by Mr. O. Tronchard-Jones.

Navy Badly Defeated By Club

ALEC PEARCE SCORES 151 NOT OUT

UNBROKEN STAND OF 129 WITH OWEN-HUGHES

AN undefeated innings of 151, scored out of 212, by Alec Pearce, who hit two sixes and 25 boundaries, featured yesterday's friendly cricket match at the H.K.C.C., where the Hong Kong Cricket Club beat the Royal Navy by 108 runs.

Pearce, aided by L. D. Kibbee, added 83 for the second wicket and was then associated with H. Owen-Hughes in an unbroken third wicket stand of 129.

HONG KONG C.C.

A. W. Hayward, b. Kyrke 13
L. D. Kibbee, c. Charles, b. Whit- 37

T. A. Pearce, not out 151
H. Owen-Hughes, not out 84

Extras (b3, NB2) 6

Total (for 2 wks. dec.) 231

R. E. H. Nelson, M. F. L. Haynes, A. C. J. Hooker, F. H. Stokes, G. A. Stewart, J. A. Fox and M. K. Swan

not out bat.

Bowling Analysis

Kyrke 6 0 23 1
Charles 6 0 29 0
Cotman 10 0 25 0
Byng 6 1 31 1
Whitmarsh 8 0 33 0
Fugh 1 0 10 0
Skelton 1 0 10 0

Skelton bowled two no-balls.

ROYAL NAVY

A. B. Smith, c. Bowker, b. Owen- 1
Hughes 13

Sub. Lt. Skelton, c. Stokes, b. 18
Owen-Hughes 37

Lt. Walters, c. Hayward, b. Swain 34
Lt. Cotman, c. Pearce, b. Owen- 32

Hughes 37

Sub. Lt. Ogle, st. Fox, b. Bowker 11
Lt. Comdr. Fugh, c. Fox, b. Owen- 11

Capt. Charles, c. Hayward, b. 11
Owen-Hughes 37

Sub. Lt. Kyrke, b. Hooker 11
Capt. Whitmarsh, not out 36

Sub. Lt. Byng, b. Pearce 7
E. A. Wood, b. Pearce 0

Extras (B7, WB1, LB1) 0

Total 129

Bowling Analysis

Swain 8 4 11 6
Owen-Hughes 15 3 54 6
Bowker 6 0 30 0
Haynes 3 0 11 0
Pearce 2 0 14 2

Swain bowled one wide-ball.

League II

Recreio Beat Varsity

At King's Park, Recreio beat the Varsity by 35 runs in the Second Division of the Cricket League.

Recreio had 47 runs on the board before their first wicket fell, while the Varsity had 7 wickets down for 141 last week's cricket dismissed C.S.C.C. for 18 runs.

RECREIO 2ND XI

A. E. Noronha, c. Soares, b. Lingam 4
E. M. L. Soares, c. Hong Choy, b. 39

H. A. Xavier, b. Ng 1
G. A. Gossano, c. Hong Choy, b. Ng 1

A. A. Marques, c. Teoh, b. Ng 1
F. H. Carvalho, b. Ng 1

A. V. Gossano, b. Ng 1
M. Mendonca, c. Ng, b. Lingam 1

C. P. Basto, b. Ng 1
J. Soares, c. Teoh, b. Ng 1

E. A. R. Alves, not out 0
Extras (B7, LB2) 0

Total 74

Bowling Analysis

Ng 15 6 39 0
Teoh 3 0 13 0
Lingam 12 1 3 22 3

UNIVERSITY

J. Fong, c. A. V. Gossano, b. L. G. 4
Gossano 4

K. L. Ng, c. Basto, b. L. G. Gossano 4
V. Lingam, b. L. G. Gossano 1

G. Hong Choy, b. L. G. Gossano 1
C. H. Teoh, c. L. G. Gossano, b. 1

Alves 1
W. C. Chin, b. L. G. Gossano 1

K. S. Oh, c. Mendonca, b. Alves 1
M. C. Hung, b. Gossano 1

L. H. Tan, b. Soares 1
R. M. Soares, b. Soares 1

R. Singh, not out 1
Extras (B3, LB1) 1

Total 40

Bowling Analysis

L. G. Gossano 11 5 15 0
Alves 10 5 10 2
A. V. Gossano 4 1 7 0
E. M. L. Soares 1 0 1 2

H.K.C.C. Force Draw

At Soekunpo, Army "A" drew with Hong Kong Cricket Club in the Second Division of the Cricket League, darkness intervening.

Soekunpo, who added 65 for the seventh wicket, were top-scorers for the home team, knocking out 41 and 40 respectively, Northcott having three boundaries in his knock and Chatter seven.

JUNIOR LEAGUE TABLE TO DATE

	P.	W.	L.	D.	Pts.
Royal Navy	5	3	0	2	11
Army "A"	5	2	0	3	9
C. C. C.	4	2	0	2	8
K. C. C.	4	2	1	1	7
Police	5	2	2	0	6
Recreio	4	1	1	2	5
H. K. C. C.	4	1	1	2	5
C. S. C. C.	4	1	2	1	4
University	3	1	2	0	3
I. R. C.	3	1	2	0	3
Army "B"	5	0	5	0	0
Totals	46	17	17	12	63

Bowling Analysis

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Jeffery	12	3	41	3
Woods	12	0	20	2
Rankin	4	1	14	0
Cox	6	1	16	0
Donald	6	0	22	0
Talbot	4	0	27	0
Rankin bowled a wide-ball.				

NAVY 2ND XI

Lt. Comdr. Waymouth, c. Clark, b. 1
Pope 24

Lt. S. A. Fynn, run out 23

Lt. Talbot, b. Pope 23

P. O. Vickerstaff, b. Hunter 8

Comdr. Wauchop, b. Carey 0

Lt. Donald, b. Carey 13

Lt. Cox, b. Pope 6

Hutley, b. Carey 6

Ldg. Tol. Woods, b. Pope 0

Ldg. Wtr. Jeffery, not out 0

Lt. Rankin, not out 2

Extras (B1) 1

Total (for 9 wks.) 82

Bowling Analysis

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Pope	16	6	20	4
Danbrowsky	5	0	16	0
Carey	8	1	31	3
Hunter	2	0	8	1

Friendly

K.C.C. Beat C.C.C.

At the Valley, Kowloon Cricket Club defeated Craigengower in a friendly match, by 7 wickets in a friendly match.

F. K. Lee and E. Zimmern added 85 for Craigengower's first wicket.

Lee hitting 11 boundaries and Zimmern nine, while D. J. N. Anderson and E. F. Fincher put on 83 runs for the second K.C.C. wicket, Anderson scoring six boundaries and Fincher 11 boundaries in his 72, scored out of 130.

CRAIGENGOWER
F. K. Lee, b. O'Brien 56
E. Zimmern, c. Madar, b. Anderson 45

F. R. Zimmern, b. Anderson 18
G. Souza, c. Brokenshire, b. Luke 0

H. P. Lim, c. F. Broadbridge, b. 0
Fincher 0

A. R. H. Ismail, c. Luke, b. Lloyd 5

A. Hung, not out 1

L. Chon, c. 4 1 12 1

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MRS. READ

A sadly depleted C. B. S. side, consisting of only four regular members of the first team, did very well against "Y" Ladies, Cacer Clark Cup champions, in a friendly hockey game at King's Park, yesterday, holding them to such an extent that only 6 goals were scored against them.

A margin of 6 goals to nil, on the face of it, appears to signify a crushing defeat but, with one takes into consideration that the "Y" were almost at full strength the school-girls' display will be better appreciated.

The "Y" were all over their opponents in the first half and registered four goals, but the second period was closely contested and it was not until a short while before full time that they again managed to pierce the school-girls' defence to register two more points.

SOUND FULL-BACKS

Mrs. Burke and Miss Fowler were a tower of strength in the "Y" defence and held well in check any attacking moves instituted by Miss Dorothy McCaw, Miss J. Bradbury and Miss J. Ewing. Mrs. Gardner was the live wire in the "Y" forward-line and together with her sister, Mrs. Burnett, was responsible for most of the openings.

Mrs. Read made full use of her opportunities, but Miss M. Smith was listless and appeared to feel the absence of her usual partner, Miss Westcott, on the wing.

For the school-girls, Miss Minot brought off some really brilliant saves, while Miss E. Paterson and Miss N. Wicheil were the pick of the full-back and half-back divisions.

HARD WORKING FORWARDS

In the forward-line, Miss J. Ewing, although opposed by Miss Fowler, was very well, and Miss D. McCaw and Miss J. Bradbury, centre-forward and inside-left respectively, worked very hard.

The greatest fault on the part of the forwards yesterday was their tendency to crowd each other, many promising movements being spoiled in consequence.

Mrs. Read (3) and Miss Smith scored in the first half, while Mrs. Burnett and Mrs. Read netted in the second period.

"Y" Ladies:— Mrs. Barnes; Mrs. Burke and Miss A. Fowler; Miss A. Long; Miss P. Fowler and Mrs. Burnett; Mrs. Gardner; Mrs. McCaw; Miss M. Smith and Miss L. Murray.

C.B.S.—Miss C. Minot; Miss E. Paterson and Miss Farrowfield; Miss G. Darby; Miss N. Wicheil and Miss E. Watson; Miss J. Ewing; Miss Abraham; Miss D. McCaw; Miss J. Bradbury and Miss P. Beraha.

H.K. Ladies Beat C.B.A.

In a scrappy match at King's Park, Hong Kong Ladies beat C.B.A. Ladies by four goals to nil.

Outstanding for the winners were Miss Gray and Miss Deland, while Mrs. Perrin was in a class by herself in the forward line. Miss J. Woolley and Mrs. White were the pick of the C.B.A. team.

Mrs. Perrin (3) and Mrs. Scrimgeour scored for the winners.

Weak Recreio XI Lose

A weak Recreio team were beaten at King's Park by the Y.M.C.A. senior eleven by 3 goals to nil, chiefly because of the ability of the latter to take advantage of their openings.

Kraus, the "Y" centre-forward, played his usual aggressive game, but the remaining forwards, due to overaggressiveness, were continually pulled up for offside and thus spoiled many scoring opportunities.

Only one goal was scored in the first half, Kraus finding the net with a fine shot. The same player added another immediately after the interval, and Dunn completed the scoring just before the final whistle.

TO-DAY'S SOFTBALL

The Machine-Gunners will play two Softball League games to-day on the Central British Association's ground, meeting the English Forum at 10 a.m. and the Vets in the second. On the Filipino Club ground, at 10 a.m. the Canadian Chinese Club will meet the Vets, and at 11.30 a.m. the Filipino Club will play the Central British Association.

R.H.K.G.C. FINAL TO-DAY

The Royal Hong Kong Golf Club Championship Final will be played this morning at Fanling between O. E. C. Marton, ex-Colony champion and holder, and D. S. Edward.

Stewart Gives Best
Performance To Date

ANOTHER colossal score was piled up against the Army in the Triangular Rugby Tournament series when at Sookunpoo yesterday they lost to the Club by 5 goals, a dropped-goal and 6 tries (47 points) to a goal, a penalty goal and a try (11 points), after being led at the interval by 23 points to 11.

In the Army's first Tournament encounter they were swamped by the Royal Navy by 41 points to 3.

Weakness in defence, particularly at full-back, where Gill experienced one of his worst off-days, was responsible for the Army's overwhelming defeat, while their heeling in the set pieces and in the loose was very sluggish.

Both teams made changes from their advertised fifteens, C. W. Lyle deputising for A. H. R. Butcher, in the Club's stand-off-half berth, while F. S. Watkins, of the Fusiliers, was brought into the Army team as right wing threequarter in the absence of Capt. Harvey, Capt. Malsey moving to the right centre berth.

With the exception of Chiverall and Gudgeon, in the back division, and Lincoln, I. A. MacLagan, Wainwright and Crawford, in the pack, the Army team were hopelessly at sea. Their threequarters were rarely given the ball from the set-pieces, and when they did get the ball faulty handling by Rainey and bad passing by Malsey nullified any possibilities of a score. Lincoln, Wainwright and Crawford were always in the thick of things in the loose, but they rarely received any support and against the overwhelming odds—the Club pack were at their best—were helpless.

CLUB BACKS SHINE

The Club were well served in all departments, their threequarters being in a scoring mood and all four shone, Van Leeuwen coming into the picture for the first time in many weeks with some bright and entertaining play.

MacGrath, in the full-back position, was twice passed, but was powerless to prevent both scores. In the first case he was outpaced by Chiverall and in the second instance Gudgeon's sudden change of direction took the whole of the Club back division by surprise, MacGrath being at top-speed at the moment and so unable to check himself.

Stewart and Bidwell formed a perfect scoring machine. Stewart, has seldom been seen to better advantage. His change of pace, swerve and hand-off were all brought into play, while his defence was magnificent.

Grieve, the left centre, played a fine game and acted as a perfect feeder to Van Leeuwen, who scored his first try in the Triangular Tournament.

Bonnar and Lyle worked up a sound understanding, the former again being at his best, his defence being winning. Lyle brought in at the last moment, played his best game to date and is the logical successor to Butcher. His passing was well-timed and his punts to touch sound. The Club forwards were all on form. Taylor, Redman and Miller being outstanding.

DIDWELL'S FINE DROP GOAL

Bidwell opened the scoring with a fine drop-goal, but Chiverall levelled the scores with a magnificent try, running 60 yards to the Club line, Gillespie falling badly with the kick.

Two tries by Stewart, one of which was converted by Watson, a penalty goal by Chiverall, and another three tries by Bidwell, Redman and Bonnar, Watson converting one, completed the Club's tally before the interval, Gudgeon scoring the Army's last try a few minutes before the whistle for Chiverall to add the goal points.

In the second half the Club completely dominated the exchanges and further tries came from Stewart, Van Leeuwen, Bidwell (2), Peers and Taylor, Watson adding the goal points for three of them.

Lt. Cdr. Nicholson refereed. Army:—Sgt. Gill (R.A.O.C.); Fus. Watkins (Fusiliers), Capt. Malsey (R.A.M.C.), Pte. Rainey (Seaforth's) and 2/Lt. Chiverall (Middlesex); Club:—2/Lt. Gudgeon (Middlesex) and Lt. at full-back, where Gill experienced one of his worst off-days, was responsible for the Army's overwhelming defeat, while their heeling in the set pieces and in the loose was very sluggish.

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Club	2	1	1	0	60	33	2
Army	2	0	2	0	14	88	6
	6	3	3	0	137	137	6

Club "A" Routed

H.M.S. Adventure proved much too good for the Club in the "A" fifteen match, winning by a goal and five tries (26 points) to nil, after leading at the interval by 8 points.

The Adventure's pack were much too good for the Club eight, quick heeling in the set pieces and close bunching in the loose featuring their play. Jones and Northcott opened the scoring for the sailors, the latter converting his own try. In the second half Northcott, Murrice, Crabbe and Jones scored unconverted tries. The Club only managed to reach their opponents' 35 once during the game.

CRICKET

(Continued from Page 18)

	O.	M.	R.	W.
N. J. Bebbington did not bat.				
Bowling Analysis				
Madar	6	0	30	0
Abbas	10	2	38	2
Minu	3	1	14	0
M. el Arculi	2	0	16	0
Baker	4	0	27	0
Rumjahn	8	1	43	6
Curreen	3	0	25	1
A. H. Madar and Minu bowled wide-balls.				
L.R.C. 1ST XI				
S. A. Ismail, c Hawkins, b Baker	30			
A. H. Madar, b Baker	18			
A. R. Abbas, c Hawkins, b Mc-				
Lellan	37			
M. P. Madar, b McKellan	23			
M. el Arculi, c Richardson, b				
McKellan	9			
A. Baker, not out	9			
A. M. Ramjahn, not out	9			
Extras (B6, LB4)	10			
Total (for 5 wks.)	151			
A. R. Minu, O. el Arculi, F. A. Curreen and M. Hassan, did not bat.				
Bowling Analysis				
Baker	9	2	27	2
McLellan	14	0	71	3
Richardson	2	0	21	0
Perry	7	0	22	0

K.C.C. Juniors Win

At the K.C.C., Kowloon Cricket Club 2nd XI beat Craigengower 2nd XI by 80 runs in a friendly match.

R. T. Broadbridge and A. A. Dand added 59 for the K.C.C. sixth wicket.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
K.C.C. 2ND XI				
W. Mulcahy, c Hung, b Winch	2			
G. A. V. Hall, c Zimmern, b Winch	1			
D. O. Parsons, c Zimmern, b Winch	10			
P. O'N. Dunne, b Winch	12			
A. A. Dand, l.b.w., b Lam	11			
G. Kew, b France	1			
R. T. Broadbridge, b Winch	40			
W. L. McKenzie, not out	15			
R. Baldwin, c Zimmern, b Rapley	8			
C. B. R. Sargent, b Winch	6			
G. E. Clarke, b Winch	6			
Extras (B2, LB2, WB2)	6			
Totals	135			
Bowling Analysis				
Winch	12.3	3	34	7
Lam	8	0	39	1
France	7	2	30	1
Omar	3	0	9	0
Rapley	2	0	17	1

	O.	M.	R.	W.
C.C.C. 2ND XI				
W. H. Silag, c Parsons, b McKenzie	25			
T. E. Yoon, b McKenzie	7			
A. M. Omar, c and b McKenzie	18			
G. Winch, c Sargent, b McKenzie	0			
B. R. France, c McKenzie, b Sargent	8			
J. W. Leonard, run out	32			
G. A. Lee, c and b McKenzie	1			
A. Zimmern, b McKenzie	2			
D. Hung, c Sargent, b McKenzie	6			
W. Rapley, not out	6			
C. W. Lam, c McKenzie, b Dunne	7			
Extras (B4, LB2, WB1)	7			
Total	105			
Bowling Analysis				
Dunne	5.3	0	33	1
McKenzie	13	0	33	7
Sargent	5	0	15	1
Hall	8	0	17	0

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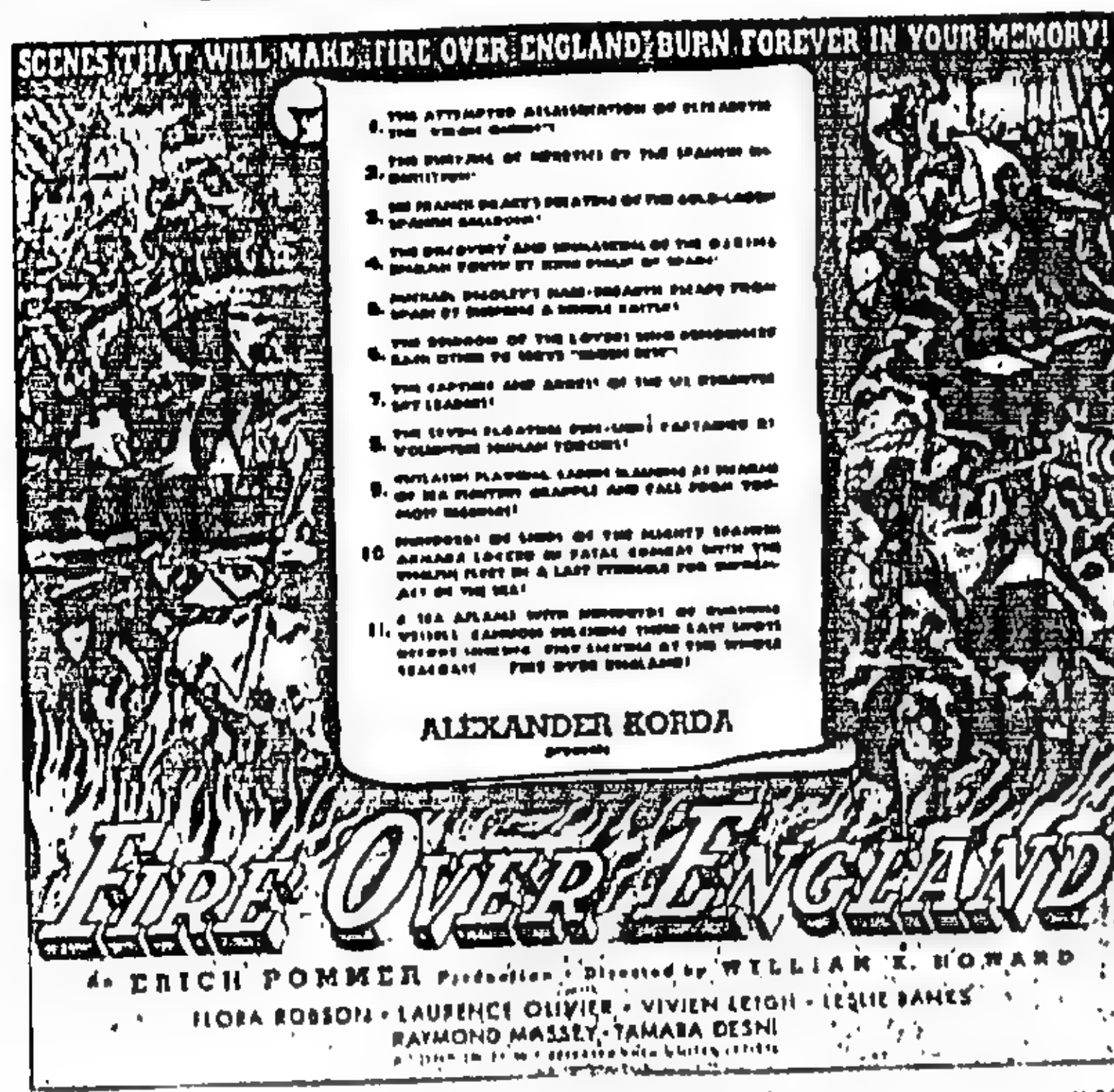
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True Till Death (L.L.B. & A. Scott Gatty).
Drink To Me Only With Thine Eyes (Norman Allin with Hubert Eldred, Heddie Nash and Dennis Noble).
12.41 p.m.—New Light Symphony Orchestra.
Zampa—Overture (Herold).
Serenade (Pierce).
Sahut D'Amour (Elgar).
London Bridge March (Eric Contes).
1 p.m.—Local Time Signal and Weather Report.
1.03 p.m.—Light Orchestral.
Scenes De Ballet, Op. 52 (Glazounow).
(a) Preludule.
(b) Scherzino.
(c) Marionettes.
(d) Danse Orientale.
(e) Mazurka.
(f) Pas d'action.
(g) Valse.
(h) Polonaise... New Symphony Orchestra conducted by Eugene Giannens.
1.28 p.m.—Reuter & Rugby Press: Local Weather Forecast & Announcements.
1.40 p.m.—Beehoven—Sonata In D Major, Op. 28. Played by Arthur Schnabel (Piano).
2.05 p.m.—Violin Solos.
Pavane (Handel-Halvorsen).
Albert Sammons (Violin) and Lionel Tertis (Viola).
The Fountain Of Arethusa (from "Myths"—Szymanowski—Op. 30).
Flight Of The Bumble Bee (Rimsky-Korsakov).
Pastorale (Stravinsky)... Joseph Szigei (Violin) with Nikita de Magaloff at the Piano.
2.21 p.m.—Albert Sandler & His Orchestra.
Si Mes Vers Avient Des Ailes (Hahn).
Frasquita Serenade (Lehar).
Where The Woods Are Green (Brodsky—arr. Weninger).
2.30 p.m.—Close down.
4.7 p.m.—Chinese Programme.
7 p.m.—Chopin.
Mazurka—Op. 41, No. 2.
Mazurka—Op. 50, No. 1.
Ignaz Friedman (Piano).
Impromptu In A Flat.
Benno Moisevitich (Piano).
Waltz In G Flat Major, Op. 70, No. 1.
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Cradle Song Of The Virgin Mary (Reger)... J. Harnabau Von Gecy & His Orchestra.
8 p.m.—Local Time Signal and Weather Report.
8.03 p.m.—Relay of the Choir of St. Joseph's Church with the Very Rev. Joseph Reginald at the Organ.
1. Fantasia on Peron's "The Birth of Our Redeemer"... Organ.
2. Sanctus and Benedictus (Dobici)... Choral.
3. Largo (Bocherini)... Cello Solo.
4. "Rorate Coeli" (Rizatti)... Choral with Violin and Cello Obligati.
5. Pastorale Rondo in E Flat (Rizatti)... Organ.
6. Adagio Fideles (Traditional, arr. Novello)... Choral.
8.35 p.m.—Bach—Concerto in C Major. Played by Arthur Schnabel & Karl Ulrich Schnabel on two pianos and The London Symphony Orchestra conducted by Adrian Boul.
9 p.m.—Reuter & Rugby Press: Local Weather Forecast and Announcements.
9.10 p.m.—Military Band Music.
The Belle Of St. Malo (Rimmer).
Semper Fidelis March (Sousa).
Valse Des Alouettes (Drigo).
Amoretten Tanze (Gungl).
Wedding Of The Rose (Jessel).
Hobomoko—Intermezzo (Reeves).
Softly Awakes My Heart (Samson & Delany—2 Scenes)... The Band of H.M. C. Idstream Guards.
Pomp And Circumstance March No. 1 (Sir Edward Elgar).
Marche Lorraine (Ganne).
Band of H.M. Grenadier Guards.
9.40 p.m.—Stuart Robertson (Bass-Haritone).
When Dull Care (Lane Wilson).
When Lights Go Rolling (Ireland).
Silent Noon (Vaughan Williams).
9.50 p.m.—Dvorak—Symphony No. 5 In F Minor, Op. 93 (The New World). Played by The Royal Albert Hall Orchestra conducted by Sir London Ronald.
10.30 a.m.—Close down.

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KOWLOON ROBBED OF SENIOR SHIELD

Club Eliminated By Eastern
FORWARD PROBLEM
STILL UNSOLVED

HAVING much the better of the game territorially, although their methods did not possess the same polish as those of their opponents, the Club were unlucky yesterday when they were defeated in the Senior Shield by Eastern by the odd goal in three.

They were two goals down at few minutes from time, but they were awarded a penalty when Fowler was impeded as he was heading goalwards, and the same player made no mistake with the kick. This infused new life into their play and in the very last minute of the game Fowler had a glorious opportunity to register the equaliser, but he wasted too much time getting the ball under control and his shot was partially blocked by an Eastern defender and the chance was missed.

Before Eastern scored their second goal the Club could do anything but score. Their mid-field play was far superior to that of their opponents, but when the ball entered the Eastern penalty area more often than not there was only one player waiting to receive it and that was Fowler. Bickford and Scott hung too far back to be of any service as goal-scorers.

Wilson was easily the best player on the field. His control of the ball and his passing were faultless, and, realising, even in the first half, that the attack left something to be desired, was frequently to be seen in the forwards.

In the second half Sloan was pitted with passes time and time again, but he hung on to the ball too long and lost it. Bickford showed some of his old form after the interval, combining with Wilson effectively in quite a few threatening movements that unfortunately came to nothing.

HYNES IMPRESSES

Hynes gave a good account of himself, although occasionally his pass-

ing was rather too hasty. His tackling and speed in recovery were prominent, and he was decidedly unlucky not to prevent the ball entering the net when Lee Tack-kee shot to register Eastern's second point. Skinner having been forced to leave his charge in an attempt to clear a few seconds earlier.

In the Chinese team the defence took the honours, Sammy Tsang being very cool in goal, while his handling of the ball was neat, and both Ng Tak-wing and Kwok Peng-ling, although occupied for nearly three-quarters of the game, came through with flying colours. The front line, once it was on the move, was always dangerous, but had finishing, together with the fact that it received little or no support from the halves, greatly reduced its effectiveness. Lee Tack-kee and Chan Bing-to combined to make a useful right-wing, whilst Hsu Ching-to, at outside-left, gave a praiseworthy display.

Hsu Ching-to opened the scoring after a perfect interpassing movement on the part of the Eastern front line, the speed of which completely baffled the Club defence. After the resumption the Chinese were successful in surviving the constant pressure, and momentary relief brought them a further goal scored by Lee Tack-kee. Play then deteriorated until Fowler revived the Club by means of his penalty goal, but the Chinese managed to hold on to their lead.

Club:—L. Skinner: Hill, Nogatain; Hynes, J. Skinner, Wilson; Fisher, Scott, P. Fowler, Bickford and Sloan.

Eastern:—Sammy Tsang; Ng Tak-wing, Kwok Peng-ling; Yuen Shui, Tsang Chung-wan, Lo Wai-kuen;

YESTERDAY'S FOOTBALL RESULTS
AND GOAL-SCORERS

SENIOR SHIELD	
ST. JOSEPH'S	1
CLUB	0
Gomes, Fowler.	
FIRST DIVISION	
KOWLOON CHINESE	0
MIDDLESEX	3
Grogan, Pearson, Saw.	
JUNIOR SHIELD	
SEAFORTHS	5
Lindsay, J. Jamieson.	
KOWLOON	1
Ferguson.	
SOUTH CHINA	2
Yau Wa-hing, Lau Fook-chuen.	
SIGNALS	0
MIDDLESEX	2
Mellor, Hammond.	
PORTUGUESE S.A.	2
Gaan 2.	
R.A.F.	
Collins, Allen.	

SEAFORTHS
SCORE FIVE
AGAINST CLUB

The Club were soundly beaten by the Seaforths by 5 goals to 1 in their Junior Shield game, and had it not been for a good display by Payne in goal their deficit would have been much greater.

Quicker on the ball and much more accurate in their passing, the Scots were soon bombarding the Club goal, and the trickiness of Ayres, the dash of Lindsay and the scheming of Jamieson provided the Club defence with more than its share of work. Lindsay was the star of the match, scoring three goals in the first half and adding one more after the interval.

The Seaforths' halves supported their forwards exceedingly well throughout, especially Walker, who also put in some useful work in defence, and Hyson performed his duties with complete confidence.

Duncan attempted to pull the Club line together, but Fowler was the best player in the side, tackling well and generally proving a stumbling block to the Seaforths' left-wing.

Jamieson was the Scots' other marksmen and Duncan found the net for the Club. Club:—Payne; Krown, Kemp; Fowler, Gilchrist, Purves; Kerwin, Stephens, Wilson, Duncan and Shaw.

Seaforths:—Cameron; Dryson, Laurie Roy, Walker, Cowie; Ross, Ayres, Lindsay, Jamieson and Nuttley.

Chan Bing-to, Lee Tack-kee, Soong Ling-sing, Au Shi-ngok and Hsu Ching-to.

League
Tables
To-Date

FIRST DIVISION	
Team	P. W. D. L. F. A. Pts.
Middlesex	11 7 2 2 26 18 16
S. China "B"	7 1 0 22 7 15
Seaforths	10 7 0 3 24 17 14
S. China "A"	10 6 1 3 33 13 13
Kowloon	9 5 1 3 16 11 11
Eastern	9 4 1 4 23 18 9
Police	9 2 3 4 20 19 7
St. Joseph's	9 1 5 23 21 5
Club	9 1 8 22 36 2
K. Chinese	11 0 0 11 10 62 0
Totals	92 41 10 41 222 222 92

SECOND DIVISION	
Team	P. W. D. L. F. A. Pts.
Middlesex	8 7 1 0 29 11 14
5th A.A. Bde.	9 5 3 1 38 11 13
Engineers (E)	10 5 2 3 34 18 12
South China	10 6 0 4 27 16 11
Seaforths	9 4 3 2 18 12 11
Kowloon	9 3 1 5 16 20 7
Chinese Police	10 3 0 7 17 40 6
Club	9 2 0 7 14 33 4
Engineers (C)	7 1 0 6 8 37 2
Eastern	8 0 0 8 6 28 0
Totals	96 43 10 43 236 236 96

THIRD DIVISION (HONG KONG)	
Team	P. W. D. L. F. A. Pts.
Medians	11 8 1 2 35 11 17
R.A.O.C.	10 5 2 3 25 12 12
Stanhams	11 4 3 4 28 28 11
5th A.A. Bde.	8 4 2 2 22 9 10
Police	9 5 0 4 26 23 10
Engineers	7 4 1 2 27 12 9
R.A.S.C.	9 2 1 6 11 21 5
Powhattan	11 0 2 9 9 60 2
Totals	76 32 12 32 186 186 76

THIRD DIVISION (KOWLOON)	
Team	P. W. D. L. F. A. Pts.
P. S. A.	10 9 1 0 48 12 19
Seaforths	11 6 1 4 29 20 13
24th Bty. R.A.	11 6 1 4 20 20 13
R. A. F.	10 4 3 3 18 26 11
Rumours	11 2 3 6 15 26 7
Signals	9 2 3 4 18 26 7
20th Bty. R.A.	10 2 3 5 13 24 7
University	10 1 1 8 16 31 3
Totals	82 34 14 34 187 187 82

EASTERN BOW TO
SOUTH CHINA

Eastern, who so unexpectedly eliminated 5th A.A. Brigade from the Junior Shield competition, were themselves eliminated yesterday at Caroline Hill, when, after a rather dull game, South China emerged victorious by two goals.

The result was in keeping with the run of play, though neither side gave the impression that there was anything at stake, and as a consequence the standard of football was not very high. The Eastern defence acquitted itself very well, Lau Fook-chuen giving a very good account of himself in goal. M. Sahban was their most consistent forward, but was neglected too much in the second half. Yau Wah-hing played a fine game at centre-half for the winners, being responsible for most of their attacks.

South China secured the lead when Lau Fook-chuen cleverly took a following ball past the Eastern defence to score from close range. No further scoring took place until after half time, when, in the liveliest period of the game, during a hot attack on the Eastern goal, S. China were awarded a penalty, from which Yau Wah-hing made no mistake.

South China:—Tang Sik-hing, Yeung Ka-chung, Tang Ching-pak, Leung Pak-wai, Yau Wah-hing, Ng Kin Man, Yip Yun-poi, Li Wing-on, Cheung Yee-hing, Lau Fook-chuen and Luk Fat-chung.

Eastern:—Lau Hin-tun, Ng Ying-kay, Chan Sui-chuen, Koo Kwok-chu, Lam Chiu-ming, Li Chi-hing, Sum Ku-ming, Lee Yau-ling, Jones Chan, Yeung Pin-wing and M. Sahban.

TO-DAY'S SOCCER

The following is to-day's soccer programme:—

Senior Shield (First Round)
Police (Club, 4 p.m.)
Reference:—Omar.
Junior Shield (Second Round)
Engineers (E.) v Navy (Bookpoo, 2.30 p.m.)
Reference:—Young.
Kwong Wah v Engineers (G.) (Kowloon, 4 p.m.)

WIN IN LAST TWO MINUTES

Saints Live To Fight Another Day

REORGANISED TEAM
DISAPPOINTSLEONARD BOTTLED UP
BY BLISS

THE newly strengthened St. Joseph's team was very nearly ousted from the Senior Shield yesterday by Kowloon, at Caroline Hill, only a goal scored in the last two minutes robbing the Kowloonites of victory. The extra time caused no alteration to the score of 1-1.

ORDNANCE
DO WELL TO
BEAT KOWLOON

The Ordnance achieved distinction when they ousted the Kowloon second eleven from the Second Round of the Junior Shield competition by the odd goal in three in a game the final result of which was always in doubt.

The fact that the Mainlanders did not intend to make the mistake of under-estimating their opponents was evident from their line-up—it came as a surprise to many of the spectators when it was revealed that Ferguson, who was such a prominent member of the Rifles' team that took the senior league championship last season, was filling the centre-forward berth. The result, however, is a true reflex of the run of the play, the first half exchanges definitely favouring the soldiers and although Kowloon improved immensely on the resumption, the closing stages found the initiative again passing to the soldiers for Manton to send in several efforts that were at least worthy of another goal.

Much of the danger in the Ordnance attack came from the right, where Embury displayed a fine turn of speed. He received strong support from Ridley, while Fisher-Cooke was also prominent in a defence that was more than a match for Ferguson and his henchmen. Manton was an energetic and resourceful leader, while Duffield succeeded in flashing across several good centres from the left. Kowloon opened shakily, and Manton soon opened the scoring with a good shot. Ferguson equalised shortly after the resumption, but, unfortunately for Kowloon, an injury to Blais then took most of the sting from the Kowloon attack and the soldiers again took up the offensive for Scadding to net the decider from a free kick by Ridley.

Kowloon:—Jeffreys, Vale, Abbas, Maxwell, Wilson, Eastman, Alibong, Bets, Ferguson, Bulphian and Ulrich.
Ordnance:—Money, Hopkinson, Vauvau, Kides, Atto, Fisher-Cooke, Embury, son, Humphreys, Manton, Scadding and Duffield.

SIGNALS GO DOWN
FIGHTING

The Middlesex met with unexpectedly hot resistance in their Junior Shield encounter on the Chatham Road ground though they gained the right of entry to the Third Round by virtue of a 3-0 victory over the Signals in a game that lacked little in excitement.

The winners were on the offensive almost from the start but found the Signals defence well up to standard, the work of Smith and Player at back breaking up their offensive time and again, and it was not until the initial half was nearing its close that Mellor found the net when he converted a fine centre from Marable. It was pure bad luck that robbed France of the opportunity of levelling matters just before the interval when a real "rasper" went just wide of its mark.

On the resumption Hammond placed the issue beyond doubt when he netted the rebound from a shot by Mellor.

Mellor, Marable and Thomas at centre-half were outstanding for the Middlesex, while honours in the losers' eleven go to the defence and France and Charles in the attack.

Signals:—Mewham, Smith, Player, France, Kitcher, Charles, Parker.
Middlesex:—Copper, Haigh, Cooper, Davis, Thomas, Denham, Taylor, Mellor, Hammond, Halliday and Marable.

Air Force Recover
Splendidly

A thrilling game of good-class football was witnessed at King's Park, where the Royal Air Force and the Portuguese Sporting Association shared four goals.

The Portuguese, making the most of a fairly strong wind, forced the pace during the last few minutes of the first half and Gaan, cleverly availing the R.A.F. defenders, an through and scored a fine goal. Bartlett and Mapstone were prominent for the R.A.F. during the second half, but Lawrence, in the Portuguese goal, successfully ward off their attempts.

Shortly after the re-commencement of the game, however, Gaan scored another brilliant goal, but a penalty kick by Collinshow gave the Air Force their first goal and shortly before the final whistle Allen brought the scores level at a goal-ah!

The Saints, despite the infusion of new talent, were very disappointing, though the fault lay more with the regular members of the team. Their positioning was poor, though this was not unexpected in view of the wholesale changes, and, until the close of the first half, little combination was shown. Kowloon, too, were very patchy, the defence as usual giving a very good account of themselves, though inclined to over-kick and leaving the forwards to forage for themselves.

Connor was very steady in the Saints' goal, but scarcely had enough to do to touch heights of brilliance, while his backs, Pickering and Costa, offered a stern resistance to the Kowloon attack. Beltrao was not up to last season's form, but played a sound game, nevertheless, keeping a close watch on Knox, and sending out some very neat passes to the wings. Remedios failed to come up to expectations, his passes being very erratic, though his tackling left nothing to be desired. Husein played soundly at left-half, though he found Jorge a difficult man to stop and was glad of the support of Costa at times. Leonard found his way to goal much too well barred by the Kowloon captain, Bliss, to have anything but an unhappy afternoon, and it was left to Alves and Marques on the wings to take the initiative in attack.

ROWLANDS' BAD LUCK

Rowlands had a lighter task in the Kowloon goal than he has had for many a week, but he still had enough attention from the Saints' forwards to bring off some very cool saves, and was exceedingly unfortunate to concede St. Joseph's goal after having saved a low shot from Leonard, only for the ball to bounce out for Gomes to place it in the yawning net.

Souza and Ulrich came up to standard, while the halves, particularly Bliss and O'Connor, handled the Saints' forwards very well. Evans coming to the fore in the second half, when he and Jorge, with W. Knox on the wing, gave Husein and Costa a warm time.

D. Knox worked untiringly in the centre, but Beltrao was just a little too much for him to master, and it was only by veering to the flank at times that he was able to give the Saints' pivot the slip. White kept Honnibal busy on the wing, but the winger found Pickering and Remedios too quick in their tackling to make much use of his opportunities.

KNOX GOES CLOSE

Both sides took a long time to settle down and thrills in the first half were very few. Rowlands dealt comfortably with shots from Gomes and Ward, Leonard showing a disinclination to shoot, while D. Knox rattled the upright at the other end with an offence drive that had Connor well beaten. Kowloon opened the scoring after the resumption, a short pass from D. Knox providing White with an open goal. St. Joseph's then took up the attack, but the Kowloon defence withstood the pressure until just before full time, when, following a scramble in front of the Kowloon goal, Rowlands went down to a hot one from Leonard, the ball coming out to Gomes, who promptly drove it into the waiting net. Extra time, during which both sides missed easy chances, failed to produce any further score.

Kowloon:—Rowlands; Souza, Ulrich; O'Connor, Bliss, Evans; W. Knox, Jorge, D. Knox, White, Honnibal.
St. Joseph's:—Connor; Pickering, Costa; Remedios, Beltrao, Husein; Marques, Ward, Leonard, Gomes, Alves.

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BUDGE LOSES
TO JOHN
BROMWICH

Sydney, Australia.
Yesterday.

Australia won the unofficial lawn tennis test against the United States by 4 matches to 1. The major surprise of to-day's play came when John Bromwich, the young ambidextrous player, beat Donald Budge, the Wimbledon and United States singles champion, by 6-2, 6-3, 6-10, 6-4.

In the other singles encounter to-day, Shirley Paine, former Australian singles champion, beat Gene Mako, co-holder of the Wimbledon doubles title with Budge, by 6-0, 6-4, 6-4. —Reuter.

OVERSEAS CRICKET

London, Yesterday. Three first class cricket matches commenced to-day, in India and in Australia.

At Lucknow, Lord Tennyson's XI were dismissed for 145 by the United Provinces, who at the close of play, had scored 111 for 6.

At Melbourne, Victoria lost 4 wickets compiling 302 runs against Queensland in their Sheffield Shield match, while at Adelaide, South Australia had scored 163 for 8 in reply to the New South Wales total of 337. —Reuter.

11TH DEFEAT
IN SUCCESSION
FOR K. CHINESEMIDDLESEX ON
THE MARK

Kowloon Chinese sustained their 11th successive league defeat this season when they conceded both points to a much superior Middlesex eleven by three clear goals in their First Division clash on the K.F.C. ground yesterday.

A keenly contested encounter, but sustained pressure by Middlesex saw the game develop into a very hum-drum affair, and had it not been for the work of Kwok Chung, at back, and Ho Po-pui, between the sticks, the military side might easily have compiled a record score.

To Ho Po-pui must go the honours for the best individual display of either eleven, his sense of anticipation being little short of phenomenal.

CHAN WONG EXCELS

Chan Wong was prominent in a defensive intermediate line, while the fact that Wong Yak-tin found it necessary to vacate the centre-forward's berth to adopt the role of an additional half-back robbed the attack of what little prospect it had of piercing the defence of Watson and Bright.

The outstanding feature of the Middlesex display was the work of Saw in the inside-left berth, where his foraging and distribution left little to be desired. Pearson was a frequent visitor to the Chinese goalmouth, but found Ho Po-pui hard on his heels. Grogan, on the right, sent across several good centres and amply demonstrated his ability to shoot from an awkward angle when he netted a really good goal in the first half.

Courtney was prominent in the intermediate line, while the remainder of the defence was rarely troubled.

PEARSON UNLUCKY

Pearson was unfortunate not to open the scoring in the first few minutes when Ho Po-pui smothered a "daisy-cutter" from point-blank range, while Kwok Chung caused a flutter when he all but crashed the ball into his own net.

Grogan opened the scoring just before the interval with a powerful diagonal shot, and Pearson increased the lead when he smashed home a "spot-kick" awarded for "hands".

The game then developed into a duel between the soldiers' attack and the Chinese defence, and Saw completed the scoring with a long shot which Ho Po-pui's dive was powerless to prevent.

Kowloon Chinese:—Ho Po-pui; Chan Hol-ching, Kwok Chung; Woo Mok-hing, Chung Kai-fai, Chan Wong; Chin Chi-fai, Tin Yang-fai, Wong Yak-tin, Kwok Wai-yeo, Young Kwai-lai.

Middlesex:—Hartley; Watson, Bright; Freshwater, Courtney, Wilkins; Grogan, Simmonds, Pearson, Saw, Brittain.

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The Four Hazards

CONFEDERATION Life say that out of a statistical group of 100 men, aged 25 years, when they reach the age of 66—

- 42 will have died
- 1 will be wealthy
- 2 will be comfortably off
- 5 will be able to live on their savings
- 28 will have to work to live
- 22 will be absolutely dependent.

You can't argue with statistics and neither for that matter can you with Harvie Merrick, Confederation's South China Manager. He just leans back in his chair, presses the tips of his fingers together, and in a quiet voice pleasantly tinged with a Canadian accent, tells you. Toronto born, he's six foot four, broad shouldered, and nice looking in a serious way. Like most of the higher paid executives whose job is selling, he appreciates every nuance that a social contact brings forth and is smart without being aggressive in handling them.

THOUGH we went to see Mr. Merrick about another matter, we've been dickered with the idea of insurance for years. When we were twenty or so, a perky little man in a faded blue suit came to the door one day and painted a rosy picture. We stand by the word painted, because the chap was an artist, and if hadn't been for the landlady to whom our salary was mortgaged for the next fortnight, he would have succeeded in selling an endowment policy, and by now we should have been living in a half timbered mansion with a southern aspect, and having nothing more arduous to write than the monthly cheques. Ten years later, opportunity once more came knocking at the door. This time the harbinger was a woman; a glorious creature with chestnut curls. Unfortunately, our reactions to her charms were such that we could never get down to business and the proposition petered out in a breach of promise suit.

WE mentioned these abortive incidents to Mr. Merrick. "Not everyone is fitted to sell insurance successfully," he commented. "In addition to being a good mixer, having a pleasing

appearance and possessing an excellent knowledge of the business, a man must be a tireless worker. Had the fellow you mentioned, followed up his contact, the probability is that by now you would be enjoying the southern aspect and, or the company of a chestnut haired lady.

"MOREOVER," he continued with a smile, "selling in-

was a tower of strength in a world that had suddenly begun to totter. "What are the rates for a man in the early forties?" we asked, timidly.

man, woman and child in the universe played for 217,000,000,000 years at the rate of one game a minute, there would still be a few alternatives left over.

Sweet Seventeen

THE other day, we travelled over on the ferry with a young chit whose Dad we once soldiered with. In the course of the conversation, she announced that she was going to be married in the very near future. We were so taken aback that we forgot to congratulate her, and angered at our silence, she remarked, challengingly—"I suppose you think I am too young." We dodged this and murmured something about love being no respecter of age. "Oh! That." She sniffed. "A girl can love almost any man if he has plenty of money and is willing to spend it on her."

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LAST Tuesday evening, the Kowloon Chess Club held their annual dinner in the Peninsula Hotel. Most of the Colony's chess masters were present, and the proceedings were marked by a liveliness not usually associated with the world's oldest and slowest intellectual pastime.

CHIEF among the wise men there was the well known educational authority, the Reverend G. E. Updell who from the chair, toasted the victorious wizards of the board in a spontaneously humorous speech.

Doctor M. O. Pfister replied gracefully and Victor Rush, current Colony Champion, C. M. Sequiera, holder for nine years, K. M. Barnett, old Oxford player and present Canton Champion, D. E. Carvalho, Club Champion, and G. Kaye, Runner Up, were duly honoured. Among the company there were almost as many nationalities as professions, and the atmosphere was pleasantly cosmopolitan and refreshingly different to the usual carefully segregated, deadly dull club dinners that the Colony's little pre-consuls are fond of giving as an excuse for getting tight.

THIS is not surprising, because chess is a remarkable game that attracts remarkable people. The game's variations are infinite; in fact, the number of possible ways of playing the first ten moves on each side of a chess board is 169,518,829,100,544,000,000,000,000 and mathematicians have calculated that if every

Yet, theoretically, a game should end in a draw if both White and Black play perfectly. This actually happened in the Nuremberg tournament of 1883, when Weiss played Schwartz and the game ended in a draw after 27 moves with the positions of the pieces exactly identical!

MANY of the world's most famous men have been chess addicts, and though the game is mentally exhausting, most notably those whose brains have at one time or another electrified humanity. Peter the Great, Danton, Napoleon, Benjamin Franklin, and Lenin are a few of them who liked to pit their minds against the problems of the board. However, the most remarkable man that chess has ever produced was Johannes Zukertort.

ZUKERTORT spoke English, Italian, French, Spanish, Greek, Latin, Hebrew and Russian and was well acquainted with Turkish, Arabic and Sanskrit. His essays on philology and theology are famous. He was a brilliant pianist and a competent musical critic. He took a deep interest in all social problems and wrote books about prison reform. He obtained the degree of M.D., specialising in chemistry and physiology. Bismarck employed him as a star reporter on his paper the Allgemeine Zeitung and at one time he was editor of a political paper. In addition he was an expert swordsman, a crack pistol shot, the finest domino player in Berlin and the best whilst player of his time. At the age of thirty, he had fought on three fronts in the Prussian Army, won nine medals for bravery, and had once been the sole surviving officer of his regiment and twice been left for dead on the field of battle. On top of this he found time to play chess and broke the world's record for blindfold play by contesting 16 games simultaneously. Zukertort died at the age of 41; young in years but old in hours.

Take Your Choice

If you don't spend money you are a tightwad. If you spend it you are a playboy. If you get it you are a grafter. If you can't get it you are a fool. And just about the time when you are making both ends meet, somebody moves the ends.

LITTLE NOTES of Great Importance

Here's the news you have been waiting for. 25 per cent. off all stocks of hats, afternoon and evening dresses, flowers, veils and novelties. MAYO'S SHOPPE, Gloucester Arcade, are the public benefactors and the sale will start to-morrow and finish next Friday. Don't miss this great opportunity and don't forget to go early!

RAZON'S, fresh from Shanghai triumphs, have now opened in Kowloon, in Hankow Road, next to the Star Theatre. They have a large variety of Wemco English shirtings which can be made to measure from \$4.50 upwards. They also have extremely suitable X'mas gifts in their silk brocade pyjamas from \$6.50 upwards. I suggest that you go along to this little store and see all their tempting stock for yourself.

Whether it be perfumes, toiletries, shaving supplies, brush sets or any other attractive novelties you want you will be able to make a wise selection at the GRAND DISPENSARY. They have stocked a large choice of beautiful gift sets which will appeal to you. You will find the goods on display are both practical and inexpensive. A visit to this store will greatly help your Christmas shopping.

We all regret the war going on in North China, but we are glad that it has brought us the OLD CATHAY from Peiping. It has now opened in Des Voeux Road, opposite the Radio Office. They specialise in old jade of the Sung and Ming dynasties, old Chinese rugs, tribute silks and rows upon rows of curios. For exclusive gifts this is the ideal spot for X'mas shopping.

The new Zenith Arm-chair Radios are now on view at the VICTORIA RADIO SHOPPE, Kowloon. If you have not seen them don't delay in paying a visit. Imagine lying back in your comfortable chair, hearing all the latest from far and wide without having to move! Only a few of the many features are the Robot Dial, Split Second Station Re-locator, New Electric Target Tuning built in Antenna Circuit and Bass Compensation for mellow, true-to-life. The new armchair cabinets have been so constructed that they can be used for book and magazine racks, Radio bar or Radio phonograph combination.

Cambodia silverware, cuff bracelets, rings, cake slices, perfume bottles... surely these will solve your problems when searching for unusual and attractive gifts. GORDON'S hosiery is another popular suggestion. GORDON'S LIMITED have certainly a very nice selection of Christmas gifts and they pack all parcels very attractively and undertake to deliver them at the right moment!

MAIZEE'S have a positively delightful selection of silk afternoon dresses, not to mention their woollen afternoon frocks. They have the cutest, most chic woollen costumes fit for every occasion. All these goods are of the very latest design. It is truly a women's paradise! If you wish to look really smart during the coming festivities go along to MAIZEE'S and select one of their lovely evening dresses.

No last-minute gifts are likely to be as good as those bought at the GRAY'S YELLOW LANTERN SHOPS. They have on display beautiful lingerie, table linens, lounging and Chinese pyjamas, mandarin coats, men's pyjamas and robes, novelty jewellery, etc., while a large selection of new fibre flowers for day and evening wear are proving very popular.

I have tried A. S. WATSON'S new cough syrup for children on my own baby and the results were amazing. Baby simply loved taking it as it has a rich, sweet taste, and my doctor tells me to keep on giving it to him as it will do him good at any time. Every mother should have a bottle of this wonderful syrup in the house all the year around. It costs only 20 cents a bottle.

PERSONALIA

Mr. C. E. Cherry, chairman of Messrs. Boustead and Company, Singapore, accompanied by Mrs. Cherry, arrived in Hong Kong in the Empress of Canada.

Mrs. Dodwell, wife of Mr. Stanley H. Dodwell, chairman of the Board of Directors of Messrs. Dodwell and Company, accompanied by her three charming daughters, returned to the Colony in the Empress of Canada.

Mr. W. MacLeod, prominent businessman of Manila, who is connected with Messrs. Smith, Bell and Company, together with Mrs. MacLeod, passed through Hong Kong recently on the way back to the Philippines.

Mr. H. J. Crutwell, former private secretary to His Excellency Sir Andrew Caldecott, and latterly to H. E. The Officer Administering the Government, Hon. Mr. N. L. Smith, is due to sail in the Empress of Canada on Christmas Eve, for the United Kingdom, via Canada.

Mr. Rodney Lee, of the Asiatic Petroleum Company, was successfully operated on a few days ago for appendicitis.

The many friends of Miss Marjorie White will be sorry to learn that she is at present ill in hospital.

Mr. T. Nakamura, former Japanese Consul in Canton, has arrived in the Colony to relieve Mr. K. Midzusawa, who has left for Honolulu, where he has been appointed Consul-General.

Some excellent sport was had at the meeting of the Fanling Hunt last Sunday at Mai Po. Among the many who attended were Mrs. McAvoy, Mrs. Butcher, Mrs. Marshall, Miss H. Gerrard, Miss Smalley, Mrs. P. Harvey, Miss Fair, Mr. Brownling, Mr. Ferguson, Mr. MacGregor, Mr. Paton, Mr. Potts, Commander Dalziel, Commander Menzies and Commander Hopper. Mr. W. T. Stanton laid two enjoyable lines. Mr. Walsley Coter hunted hounds

and Messrs. Fielding, Butcher and Mackenzie whipped in.

Mr. P. J. Gallagher, an executive of the Standard-Vacuum Oil Company, is leaving for New York by the next sailing of the Empress of Canada.

Mr. B. G. Butler, of the Standard-Vacuum Oil Company, is shortly proceeding on leave.

Miss Ethel Chan, grand-niece of Sir Shouan Chow, is expected in the Colony from Shanghai during the week for a short vacation. She will stay with her sister, Miss "Lin" Chan, who arrived here about two months ago from the northern port.



Miss Cherito Ibbata, guest of honour at a farewell party given at Grippe last night by Mr. Harry Eemall. Miss Ibbata is leaving for Manila to-day.

Mrs. D. Baker-Carr and Miss Baker-Carr, wife and daughter of the Canton manager of the British-American Tobacco Company, arrived in Hong Kong in the Empress of Canada and left for Canton on Friday.

Mrs. Bickford, mother of the well-known Interport footballer, who arrived in the Colony recently, is staying with Mr. and Mrs. W. A. O'Neill.

Mr. C. J. Chancellor, General Manager in the Far East of Reuters, passed through Hong Kong this week on his way to Hankow and is expected back this week-end.

insurance requires a special technique. For example, when a man goes out to sell a policy, he can't walk into a prospect's office and say here's a nice little endowment going cheap. Before he can get anywhere near that point, he has to create a demand. To create this demand, we try to discuss with our prospect very seriously his responsibilities in life. Mr. Merrick's expression became serious. "Experience has shown us that the average business man has four main worries; what we call the four hazards in life." One—his wife will find out about the typtist. Two—the Inland Revenue will find out his income. Three—the Club Secretary will find out he kicked the ball out of the rough. Four—someone will find out that he has been found out," we ticked off briskly.

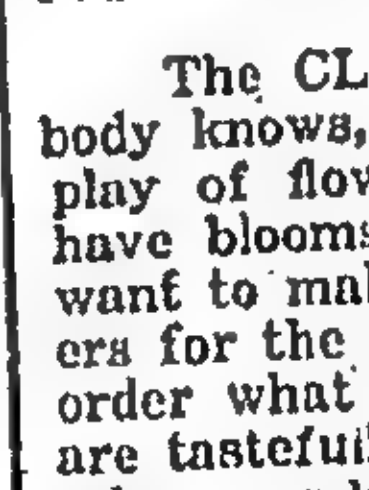
"I SAID average," corrected Mr. Merrick firmly. "Firstly; he's afraid of dying too soon; before he can accomplish that which he set out to do. Secondly; living too long; after his savings have become exhausted. Thirdly; disability. Fourthly; lack of sufficient capital to meet a sudden emergency. The process of selling insurance is bringing these four hazards to a man's mind and putting in front of him a proposition that will take care of them all."

FIGURATIVELY, we were visited with an impulse to throw ourselves round Mr. Merrick's neck and another there for the rest of our natural. We're not in business and our critics class us below the average, but every one of Mr. Merrick's hazards were yawning pits liable to engulf us any minute. Our imagination ahrank at the possibility of dying before the last instalment on the wireless had been paid; or living, a bent and ragged figure huddled on a park bench. Worse because more immediate; falling sight and a harsh editor. Gloomier still: an accidental meeting of two of our principal creditors. Our belief in Mr. Merrick became a living faith;

LITTLE NOTES of Great Importance



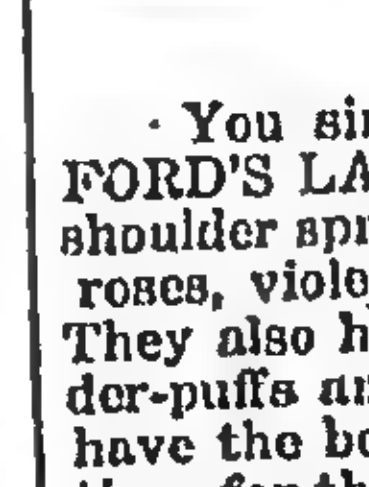
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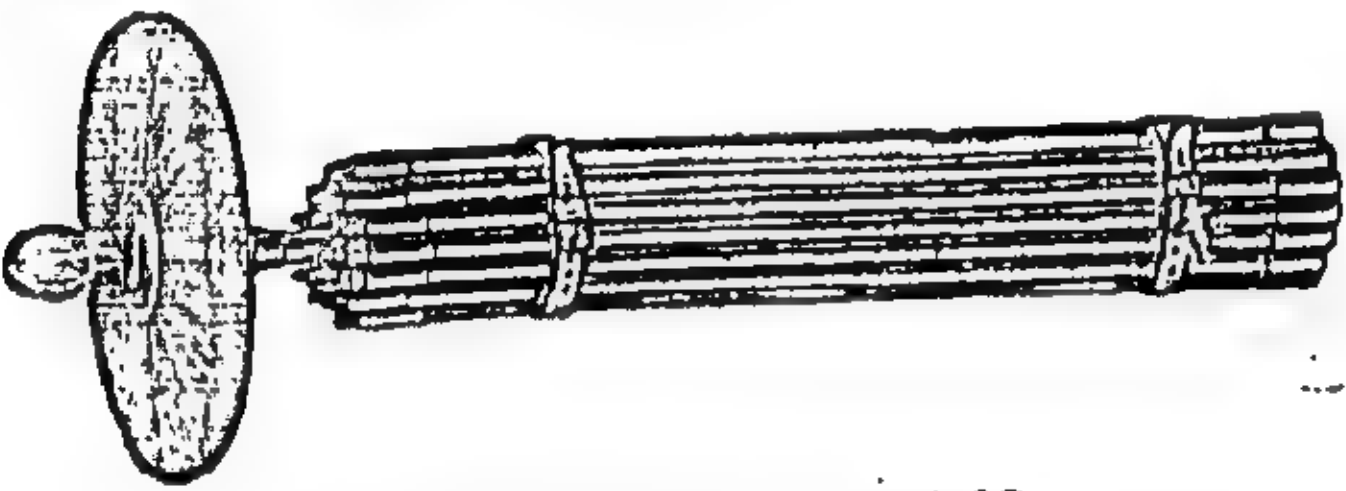
There are some people who never really enjoy their food because no matter how long ago it was since they last had a meal, they always feel "full up." Some feel as though a lump were lodged in the middle of their chests—others as though their stomachs were blown out like a balloon with wind and gas.

This is because the food from their last meal has not been completely digested, and remains behind in the stomach, turning bad and forming acid and evil gases. Food must be digested and cleaned right out of the stomach after every meal, if you are to feel ready to eat at the proper time. If you suffer in this way, take a dose of Maclean Brand Stomach Powder after eating. It will help you to digest all your food in the proper way, prevent the formation of too much acid and unhealthy gas, and clear poisonous waste gently out of the system. Wind, flatulence, heartburn all go if you take this scientific remedy. Even such serious ailments as gastric and duodenal ulcers have been ended by Maclean Brand Stomach Powder. Get a bottle to-day—but make sure you really do get the genuine Maclean Brand Stomach Powder with the signature "ALEX. C. MACLEAN" on the bottle and carton. Never sell loose powder or tablets. Cheap substitutes may make your trouble worse. If you have any difficulty in obtaining it, write to Bankers & Co., P.O. Box 530, Hong Kong.

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SUPERVISION OF FOREIGNERS IN FRANCE

Paris, Yesterday.
The French Minister of the Interior, M. Max Dormoy, will submit to the Council of Ministers to-day, measures providing for stricter supervision of foreigners in France.

M. Dormoy will propose a system of fingerprints for foreigners desiring to enter the country.

Foreigners will have to report to the police authorities within 48 hours of entering the country.

Another plan is to provide every Frenchman over the age of 18 with an identification card. —Trans-Ocean.

UNPRECEDENTED REVISIONS IN BURKE'S PEERAGE

London, Yesterday.

An unprecedented number of changes in the order of precedence among the ranks of the British nobility will be recorded in the 1933 edition of Burke's Peerage, which will be on sale in a few days.

THE CHANGES, WHICH AGGREGATE 26,500, ARE NOT MERELY NUMEROUS, BUT ALSO IMPORTANT FROM THE STANDPOINT OF INDIVIDUAL PERSONS PRIMARILY AFFECTED.

This plethora of change has been caused by the rapid succession of three events affecting occupancy of the Throne—the death of George V, the abdication of Edward VIII and the accession of George VI.

Most important and most curious change is that affecting the Duke of Windsor, who as the last member of the Royal Family to be created Duke, ranks officially after his youngest brother, the Duke of Kent, and theoretically now occupies the position of "youngest son" of the Royal Family.

The Duchess of Windsor, as the most recent woman to acquire this title, is 25th on the list.

ARCHBISHOPS

After the Royal Family, the other Dukes do not follow directly in order of precedence.

At the head of the entire British nobility after the Royal Family come the holders of the offices of Archbishops of Canterbury and York, the present holders of these exalted offices, however, being only listed as plain gentlemen.

After them is the Speaker of the House of Commons, and fourth is the Prime Minister, Mr. Neville Chamberlain.

Seven peerages became extinct during 1937 owing to the death without heirs of the holder.

NEW RULING

King George VI has introduced a new usage among titles held by the Royal Family, namely, that in future the title of Royal Highness will be reserved only for children and grandchildren of the reigning monarch.



The Duke of Windsor, who in the new edition of "Burke's Peerage" ranks as the youngest member of the Royal Family.

In consequence of this, after several generations in England—if no change is made in this procedure—younger members of the Royal Family will have no other titles than "Master" or "Miss." —Trans-Ocean.

INDO-CHINA PORT TO BECOME NEW NAVAL BASE?

Paris, Yesterday.

Much interest has been aroused in Paris by the indications from London and Washington of possible strong reinforcement of British and American naval strength in the Far East in the event of dissatisfaction with Japan's final reply to the Yangtze Incident protests.

It is generally held that France will have to do likewise, and several newspapers are demanding the conversion of the Indo-Chinese seaport of Canranh, in Annam, into a naval base.

An one newspaper puts it, if Indo-China should be lost to France, then the fate of Singapore would be sealed.

In reliable quarters it is stated that these overseas problems formed the main subject of discussion at yesterday's meeting of the French Supreme War Council.

In all probability, there will be far-reaching reorganisation of France's overseas defences.

FURTHER SHOCKS

General impression prevailing in Paris last night was that the situation in the Far East had not worsened in the last 24 hours, although the possibility of further shocks and surprise events has not yet been banned from the political horizon.

Hence, official circles are continuing to exercise restraint while keeping in close touch with London.

Political circles in Paris approve the British attitude to Tokyo, but declare that the "attitude of hesitation" adopted by the United States Government is causing speculation. —Trans-Ocean.

JUVENILE "CRIME" IN KOWLOON

The local police court figures for juvenile offenders during 1936 show a decrease of both boys and girls in Hong Kong, but an immense increase in boys in Kowloon, and a small increase in girls says the annual report of the Magistracies. Hong Kong totals fell to 955 from 1,287. Kowloon jumped from 1,025 to 2,035.

The decrease in Hong Kong is partly due to greater strictness in observing the age limit, disregarding the mistakes and lies of the offenders and their parents as to age; the increase in Kowloon is attributed mainly to more frequent Police raids, and partly to the greater poverty of the Kowloon population.

The penalty of caning evidently has not affected these figures, as only 9 were caned in Hong Kong as against 47 in Kowloon for all classes of offences.

MASS FLIGHT OVER PARIS BY CRACK FLIERS

Paris, Yesterday.
Twenty of the 98 French air force planes which participated in the recent aerial manoeuvres in North Africa, are remaining in the Colonies in keeping with the original plan for reinforcing the air fleet there.

Eighteen light planes are at present continuing manoeuvres in North Africa, and 60 machines which crossed the Mediterranean a few days ago, are now back in Paris.

The airmen will be received by President Albert Lebrun at Dugny aerodrome on Monday after a mass flight over Paris. —Trans-Ocean.



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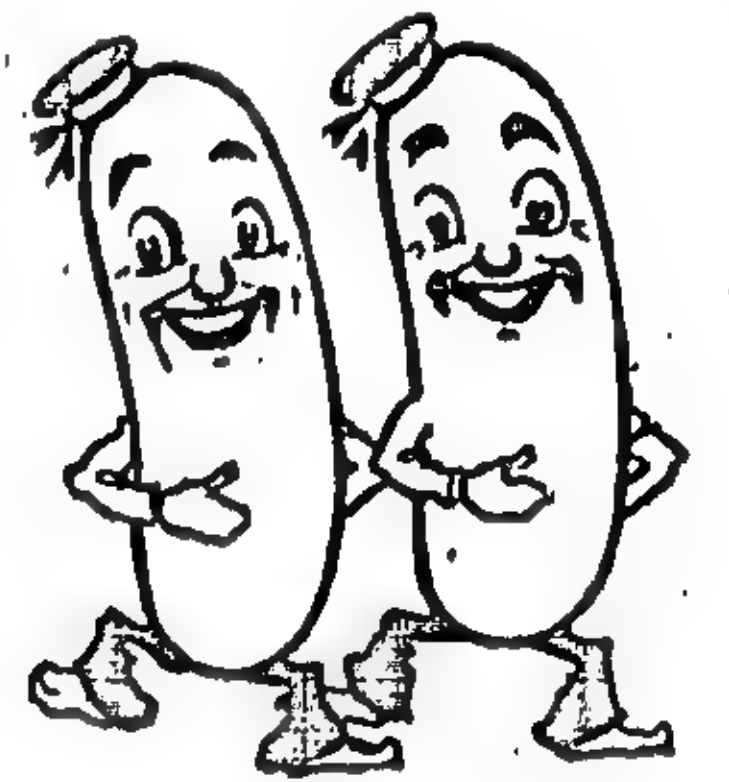
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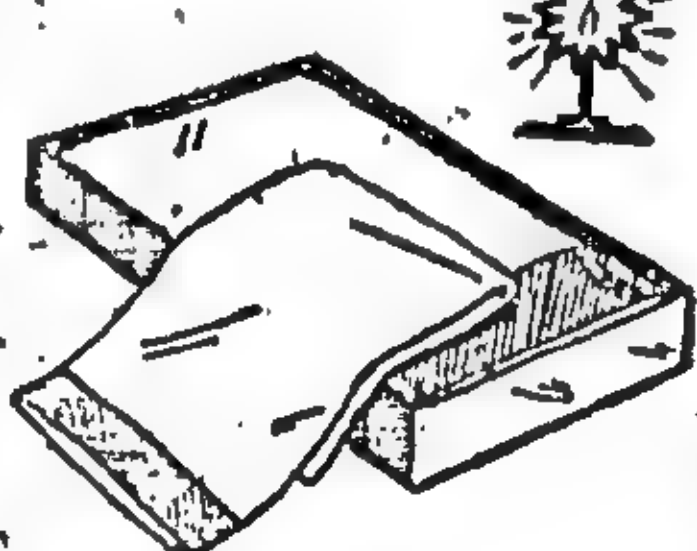
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JAPAN'S RAIDS ON NANKING

Tokyo, Yesterday. A communique issued by Imperial Headquarters to-day says that the Japanese naval air force visited Nanking over fifty times and dropped over 160 tons of bombs on Chinese troop concentrations and military establishments there since the outbreak of hostilities to the fall of Nanking.

The communique says the aggregate number of aeroplanes raiding Nanking exceeded 800.—Reuter.

TIENTSIN MAY BE DECLARED "FREE PORT" FOR JAPAN

Tientsin, Yesterday. The new "puppet" Administration in North China might possibly declare the area under their control "a free port," according to reliable reports received here.

It is said that all custom duties might be abolished in the near future, but it is not mentioned whether this ruling applies to Japanese manufactured goods only.

POURING IN

Japanese goods are pouring into the city and the markets are already flooded with articles, piece-goods, and tinned and preserved food of that origin.

Although it has not yet been publicly announced that custom duties have been suspended, these goods, it was learned from reliable Japanese sources, have not been subjected to tax or duty.—Our Own Correspondent.

TARIFF REVISION

Tokyo, Yesterday. It is reported that the "provisional government" in Peiping is studying revision of the tariff with a view to putting on the free list, or reducing by 50 per cent., tariff rates on about ten items of merchandise, including daily necessities and materials for rehabilitation.

The list is reported to include sugar, marine produce, tobacco, paper, petrol, gum, cement and tin plate.—Reuter.

STUBBORN RESISTANCE ENCOUNTERED

Hankow, Yesterday.

The Japanese troops advancing northwards on the northern bank of the Yangtze, opposite Nanking, in the direction of Hainan, are encountering stubborn resistance from the Chinese forces, according to an official communique issued here to-day which states that the Chinese undertook successful flanking attacks at Chuchow and Wuyi.

The entry on the scene of the "Civilian Corps" without uniforms in the province of Shansi, was announced here for the first time to-day.

It was added, however, that owing to lack of communications, the Chinese Government were not in a position to impart any information concerning the outcome of irregular operations carried on by small bodies which form the corps in question.—Trans-Ocean.

London, Yesterday.

The death occurred to-day of Mrs. Buchanan, mother of Lord Tweedsmuir, Governor-General of Canada.—Reuter.

CHIANG KAI-SHEK SITS IN IMPORTANT CONFERENCES PREPARATION FOR LONG CAMPAIGN OF RESISTANCE

Hankow, Yesterday.

Prolonged discussions of the situation and of measures for continuing and developing national resistance to the Japanese aggression have, it was announced, taken place daily during the past few days between ministers and leading members of the Kuomintang, under the chairmanship of Marshal Chiang Kai-shek.

Among those taking part in the discussions, which are stated to be of fundamental importance, regarding future developments in the Far Eastern conflict, are, Dr. H. H. Kung, Finance Minister, Mr. Wang Ching-wei, Mr. Chan Li-fu, Mr. Wang Chung-hui, Mr. Sun Fo, General Chang Chun, Gen. Pai Chung-hsi, Mr. Shu Li-tze, and Mr. Lo Ying-chia.

The secretary is rigidly reserved concerning the results of the deliberations, but well-informed quarters indicate that the following subjects have been debated—

- (1) Re-organisation of the Chinese Army.
- (2) Organisation of the whole nation with the two-fold object of creating a military auxiliary service by means of a suitable training of citizens and of increasing the production of war materials.
- (3) Measures for increasing agricultural products.
- (4) Re-organisation of the armament industry.
- (5) Re-organisation of National finances, including the introduction of new taxes.
- (6) Improvement of roads, railways and telegraphic communications.

Official quarters affirm that the discussions are progressing satisfactorily on the basis of Marshal Chiang Kai-shek's declaration of December 16, which emphasises China's unchangeable resolution to continue her resistance.

DISPELS RUMOURS

It is stressed that all leading Chinese statesmen and politicians are absolutely unreserved in their loyalty and unanimously take the view that China's salvation depends exclusively on her own resources.

It is further stressed that the Government has made provision to carry on if need be, for some years.

Political circles point out that these assurances are calculated definitely to dispel any rumours that the Chinese Government contemplate abandoning their resistance and that Marshal Chiang Kai-shek's confidence has been shaken.—Trans-Ocean.

KING AND QUEEN AT BOYS' CAMP

London, Yesterday.

The King and Queen stopped at Slough en route to Windsor to-day, and visited a boys' camp.

They saw the boys indulging in different forms of recreation including swimming, cooking and a rehearsal of "MacBeth."

On Wednesday next, Their Majesties will travel to Sandringham, where they are spending a quiet Christmas with their family.

From Sandringham, the King will broadcast a Christmas message to the Empire.—Reuter.

Mr. W. G. Fitz-Gibbon, J.P., B.A., General Secretary to the Public Works Department, who has been on leave since February, returned to the Colony from England on Tuesday, 14th December.

JAPAN'S OFFER OF "PEACE" TO CHINA

Tokyo, Yesterday.

"If China desires, Japan will have no objection to terminating the current hostilities," says the "Asahi Shimbun," but the paper emphasises that General Chiang Kai-shek's reaffirmed determination to resist Japan "compels the Government to take a graver resolve to frustrate China's plans for a long-term campaign."

The situation "seems to have become graver" following the fall of Nanking, says the paper, advising the Government to "watch carefully" the next Chinese move.

Referring to General Chiang Kai-shek's statement on Thursday that "capitulation at the present juncture would necessarily lead to national ruin," the paper says: "Empty self-flagellation will by no means materially strengthen one's position."—Reuter.

ARABIAN CAMELS FOR ZOO

London, Yesterday.

A herd of Arabian Camels presented to the London Zoo by Ibn Saud, King of Saudi Arabia, are at present in quarantine.

All four camels are from Mecca but they represent four distinct strains of which perhaps the most prized is a light red female racing dromedary. The only bull camel in the herd is of Ruman race and is almost white.—British Wireless.

CHRISTMAS TREE IN ABBEY

London, Yesterday.

The King has presented a large Christmas tree to Westminster Abbey where, lighted and dressed with children's toys, it will be on view in the west end of the nave near the Unknown Warrior's Tomb.

The public viewing of the tree will be invited to make contributions for the Infants' Department of Westminster Hospital.—British Wireless.

MOBILE RECRUITING OFFICE

London, Yesterday.

The Royal Air Force is utilising a mobile recruiting office which is touring remote parts of northern England and the south of Scotland.

The office describes the Royal Air Force and its advantages to would-be recruits.—Reuter.

CHINA'S SECRET UNDERGROUND HANGAR

Shanghai, Yesterday.

A sensational report is circulating here in both Chinese and Japanese circles that "somewhere" in Central China there is an underground hangar, housing 150 fighting planes.

The location of this aerodrome is being kept secret, even high officials of the Chinese Government, it is reported, have no knowledge of its whereabouts.

The same report states that the hangar was built with the help of Soviet engineers, and that in the vicinity of this secret air base are 85,000 Chinese troops, equipped with A.A. guns, of the most up-to-date types.—Our Own Correspondent.

BRITAIN AROUSED BY SITUATION

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siderably stronger than Italy's. The executive of the International Peace Campaign, numbering millions of members all over the world, held a meeting in London.

WORLDWIDE BOYCOTT
M. Florio Cot, the French Air Minister, and M. Jouhaux, Secretary of the French Trades Union Congress, were present.

It is reported the meeting resolved to organise a worldwide campaign for a private boycott of Japanese goods, to begin on Jan. 1.

The Washington correspondent of "The Times" notes rising feeling in the United States.

"It would be impossible to exaggerate the cumulative unhappy effect on American public opinion of the evidence that the attack on American vessels was deliberately made in full knowledge of their position in the river, and in identity with every circumstance of indifference cruelty."

BRITAIN MUST STAND

"Echo de Paris," in a report from the French capital, says that if Britain fails to get her rights in South China respected, the repercussions will be felt far and wide.

"L'Epoque" says that the present situation could have been prevented if the Western powers had shown more firmness and cohesion earlier.

"Le Peuple" declares that the Yangtze shipping incidents may be settled, but this will be useless against the Japanese desire to instal herself master of China.

"Le Petit Journal," approving Anglo-American good sense, forecasts that neither power can afford to ignore the possibility that China and Japan will fight so hard that the interests of third parties will be ruined.—Reuter.

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Burnley	1	Wednesday	1
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Newcastle	1	Swansea	0
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Stockport	1	Bradford	2
Tottenham	3	Blackburn	1

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Bournemouth	1	Reading	1
Brighton	1	Millwall	0
*Bristol R.	v	Bristol C.	0
Cardiff	4	Crystal P.	2
Clapton O.	2	Exeter	1
Mansfield	0	Watford	1
Northampton	2	Newport	0
Queen's P.R.	3	Aldershot	0
Southend	0	Swindon	0
Torquay	1	Gillingham	0
Walsall	1	Notts C.	0

* postponed.

THIRD DIVISION (NORTH)

*Accrington	v	Wrexham	0
*Bradford C.	v	Gateshead	1
Carlisle	3	Hartlepool	1
Chester	3	Barrow	1
Doncaster	4	Darlington	0
*Hull City	v	Lincoln	0
Rochdale	1	Port Vale	0
Rotherham	1	Crews	0
Southport	2	Oldham	2
Tranmere	3	Hull	1
York City	3	New Brighton	1

* Postponed.

SCOTTISH LEAGUE

Arbroath	3	Aberdeen	3
*Dundee	3	Ayr	1
Hibernian	0	Celtic	3
* Were leading by 3 goals to 1 when play was abandoned after 74 minutes.			
All remaining games were postponed owing to frost.			

SECOND DIVISION

Dumbarton	8	East Fife	2
Edinburgh	3	Dunfermline	5
Raith Rovers	6	Alton	8
*St. Bernard	1	Montrose	1
* Postponed after 51 minutes play.			
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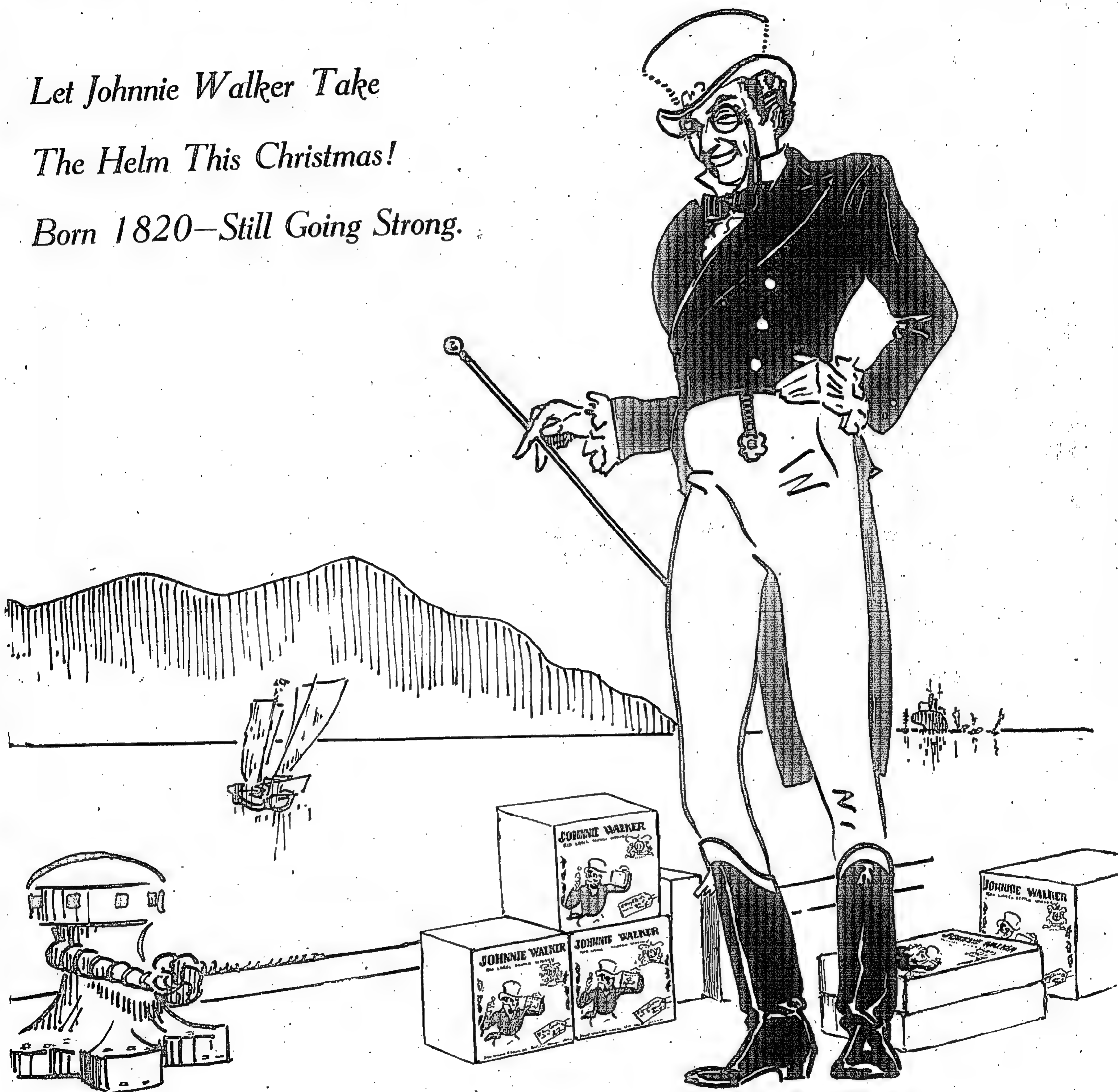
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President Roosevelt, according to the "New York Times" questioned Admiral Leahy concerning the strength and disposition of the United States Fleet. This, with the President's subsequent two-hour discussion with the Cabinet, gives impetus to reports of possible movement of warships in the Pacific following adequate assurances respecting American rights from Japan. It is made clear that decisions will be made by the President himself. He has assumed charge of the situation.—Reuter.

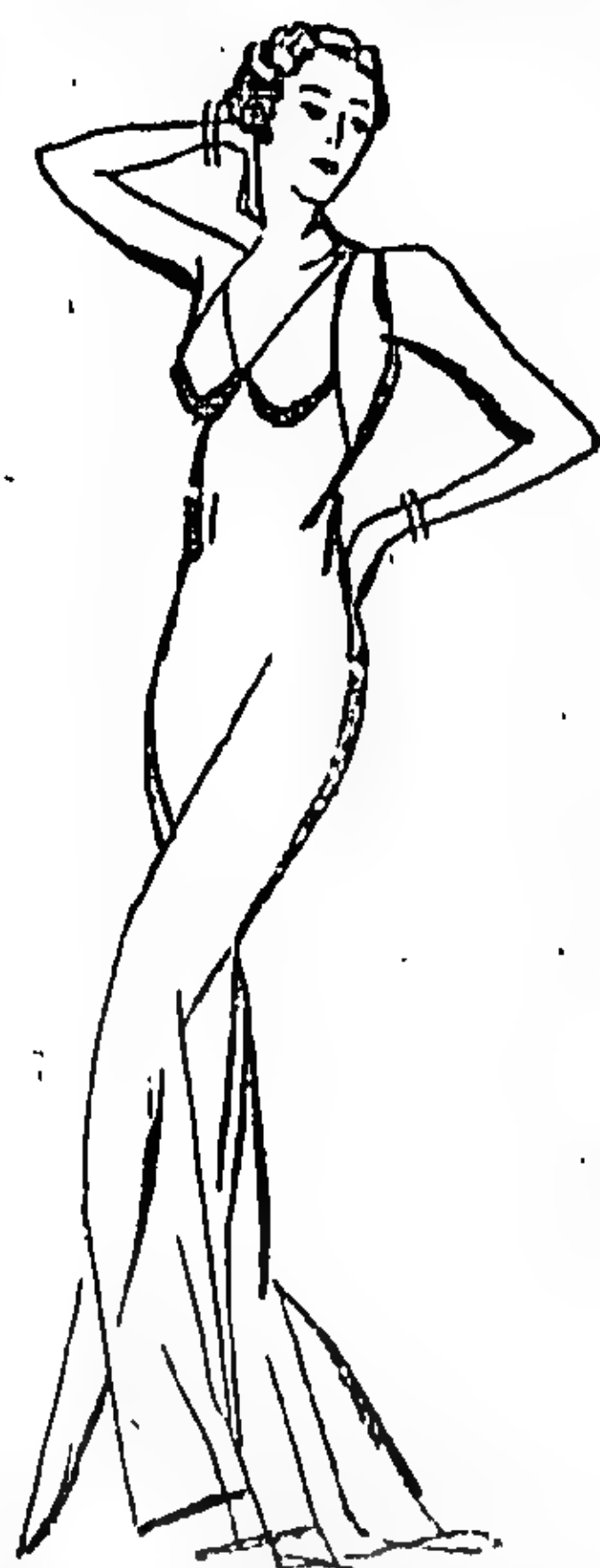
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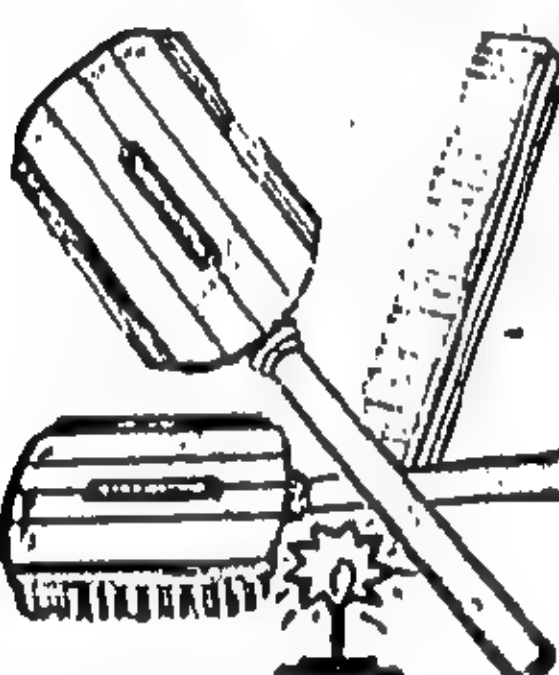
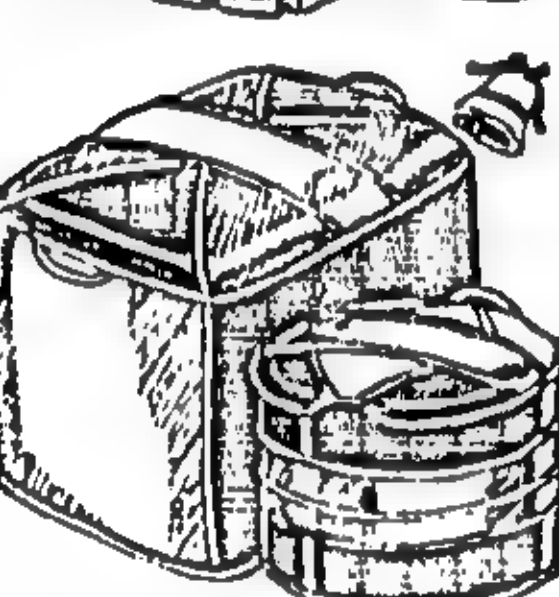
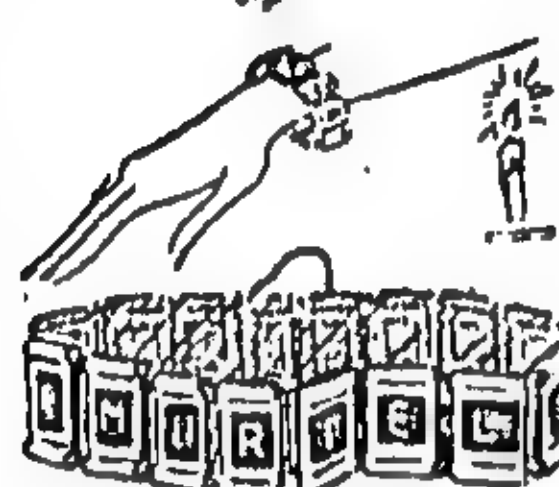
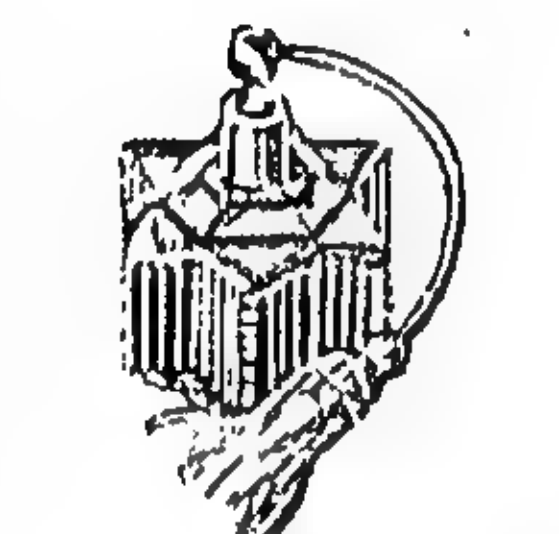
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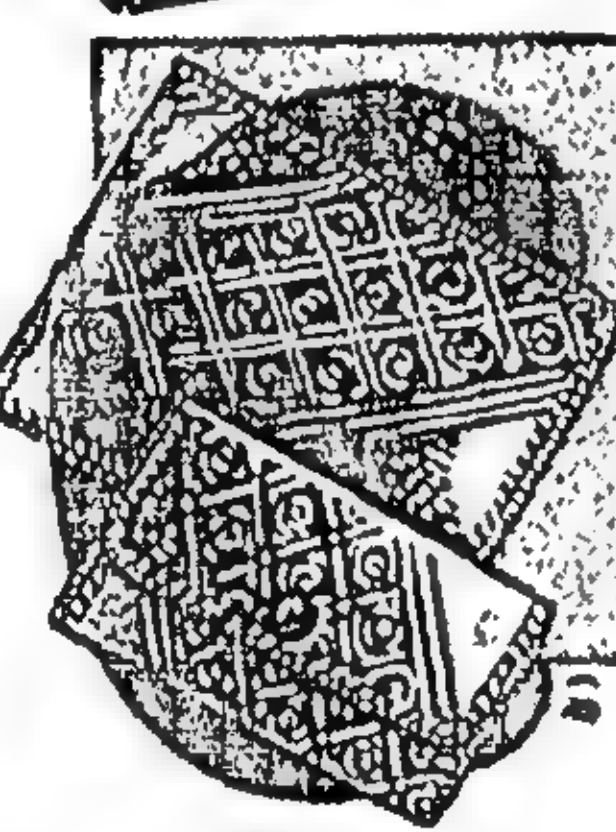
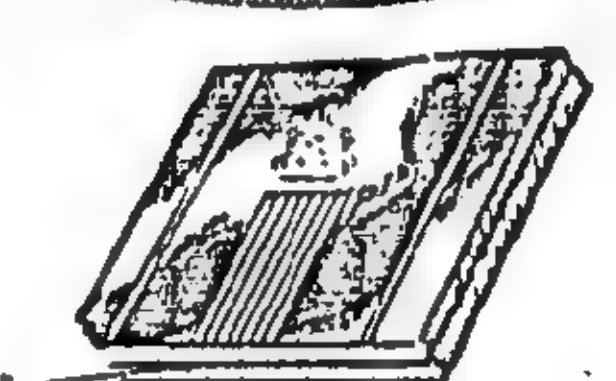
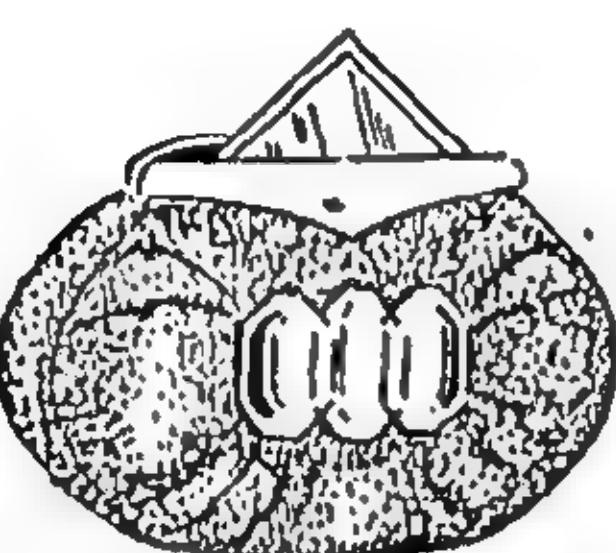
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The brunette need not look older than her blonde twin if her powder, rouge, and lipstick are wisely selected.

WHY BRUNETTES LOOK OLDER THAN BLONDES

FOR a long time it has been an accepted fact that brunettes must always appear older than blondes. The reason is simple. They are afraid to make themselves appear vital, and too often they have quite a faded appearance, which is neither necessary nor beautiful. Vitality should be the brunette's keynote, and in every way, from make-up to dress, she should strive to acquire this effect.

THERE are many simple aids which will help you in your quest for vitality, but before attempting these it would be just as well to spend a few minutes discussing the problem of your skin. Do not for one minute think that your skin is the same as every other person's. It is not.

The reason that blondes always have a rosy-cheeked appearance is because their outer layer of skin is thinner than yours, and consequently the changes in the weather effect the blood-vessels, which then show on the surface. This, you may think, is a good point. But it is not. Ask any blonde, and she will tell you that her skin is sensitive, sometimes so much so that even soap and water stings the face. And it is here where the brunette wins. She can give her skin rousing treatments which, if used on blondes, would cause red veins to appear. Strong bleaches can be used on the face, and heavy massage treatments, which will bring the glow of health to the cheeks, can be given.

Sallowness is the dark-skinned woman's greatest worry, and many a time, for no apparent reason at all, the skin will turn quite a yellowish hue, and it is then that a bleaching pack is needed.

Excessive Oil

ANOTHER skin failing with brunettes is excessive oiliness. While this does not harm the skin, it certainly plays havoc with the make-up, and it is on this account that it is necessary to combat it. You will find that the following treatment, carried out daily, is excellent.

On waking in the morning, squeeze a pad of absorbent cotton wool out in cold water. If you like to be lazy, you can lie in bed and carry out this treatment by allowing the cotton wool to stand all night in a glass of cold water beside your bed. After squeezing the cotton wool out, dip it in cleansing cream and smear it all over the face. Then wipe it off with a clean face tissue, and quickly pat all over the skin with a good tonic. After the tonic has been applied to the skin, you can hop out of bed and then carry on as usual. After your morning bath, you can again apply the skin tonic, allow it to dry, and then apply

your customary make-up. Light-coloured brunettes are those with midbrown hair; blue, grey, or hazel eyes, and a fair or creamy skin. In daytime their make-up should be: Powder, medium rachel, dark peach or tea-rose; rouge, bright orange, raspberry, or coral; lipstick, tangerine or orange tones or coral.

For evening they should vary their make-up as follows: Powder, apricot, peach, or light rachel; rouge, tangerine, geranium, or light red; lipstick, cherry, raspberry, tangerine, or clear red; eye shadow, medium blue, green, or brown.

The Dark Skin

DARK brunettes have dark brown hair, dark blue or grey eyes, and deep cream to yellowish skin. In daytime they should use: Powder, rachel, dark peach, or banana; rouge, deep orange, dark raspberry, or clear coral; lipstick should match the rouge shades.

For evening use, their make-up will be as follows: Powder, apricot, medium rachel, peach, or tea-rose; rouge, brighter shades of orange or raspberry; lipstick, bright red or geranium; eye shadow, gold.

A golden rule to remember is that the fairer the skin, the brighter the shade of cosmetics used.



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Men Do Not Know Women

HOW much do men know about women? It is an interesting speculation.

If they read one-tenth of all the literature published on the fascinating subject they ought, theoretically, to know everything. Fortunately they don't; it would be most uncomfortable for women.

ACTUALLY, there is no subject upon which the average man is more profoundly ignorant. The suburban husband who can put a new washer on the tap, decarbonise the car, or grow prize-winning roses is frankly helpless where his wife is concerned.

Apologise First

IF the loud-speaker suddenly becomes ingloriously mute he can diagnose the trouble and put it right at once. When his wife displays the same symptom he can only sense—bright creature—that something has gone wrong, and ask her what it is. As though any woman wants to be asked such a question. The obvious, the correct thing for him to do is to apologise first and then find out what he is sorry for afterwards.

This lack of knowledge is in itself a scathing condemnation of our educational system, which teaches men the way to square a circle without touching upon the far more important matter of how to square a wife.

From the days when she began to toddle, a girl is trained in the science of managing a man by every member of her own sex with whom she comes into contact. Instinctively they teach her, and just as instinctively she absorbs the knowledge.

"Clay In Her Hands"

WHEN she marries she is an accomplished manager, and the man, through his own pitiful ignorance, is as clay in her hands. He doesn't even start to learn until he is married. Then, slowly, he acquires knowledge by the painful old process of trial and error, until by the time they celebrate their diamond wedding he knows about her roughly one-fiftieth of what she knows about him. One has only to reflect to realise that this is no exaggeration. After they have been married a year, the wife can tell at a glance what sort of a mood her husband is in when he arrives home from the office. She knows, with a certainty far removed from intuition or guesswork, precisely what his reaction will be if she informs him that the baby has broken his favourite pipe.

There are only two ways in which a man's nature will allow him to receive news of such a catastrophe. One day he will demand to know why the child cannot be kept under proper control; the next he will regard it as the world's finest joke, and want to hear the full story of how the little beggar climbed on to a chair to reach the pipe from the mantelpiece.

His wife knows what mood he is in, and if it happens to be the former she will wisely postpone the report until a more favourable moment.

Unexpected Caress

IS there any man who can boast anything like the same

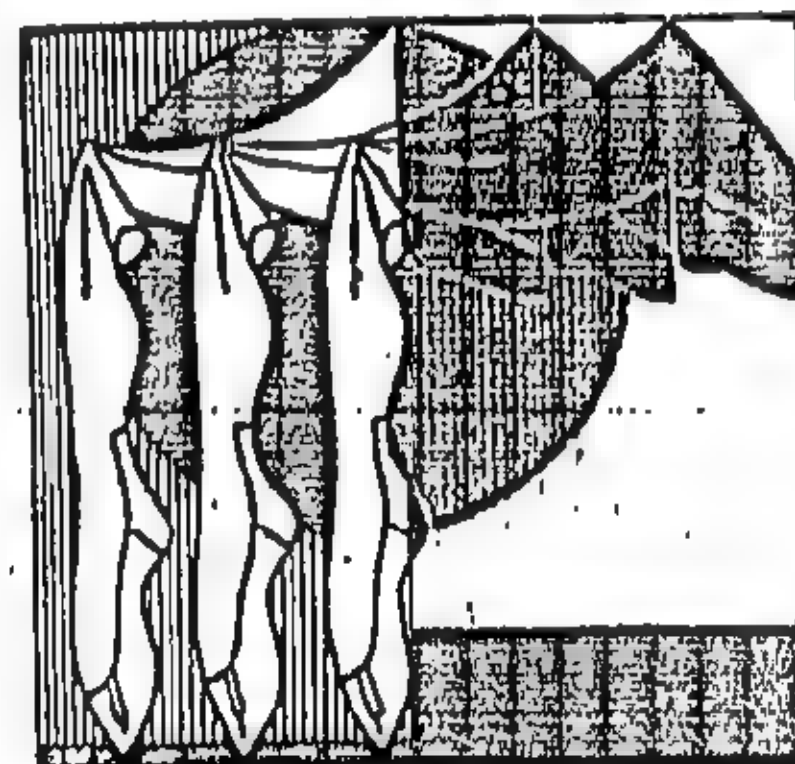
knowledge of his wife? Not one. After years of married life he hardly dares to kiss her by surprise. Although she may call him a darling for doing it, she is just as likely to tell him not to be silly and startle her so. He cannot pretend to foresee which of these receptions his unexpected caress will provoke.

Someone really ought to teach husbands. To be taught the proper thing to say when one's wife has burnt the bacon is of infinitely greater practical value than learning what the goat-herd's wife said when King Alfred burnt the cakes.

Until men are taught this sort of thing we shall never have complete equality between the sexes. Educational authorities might consider very seriously the possibility of including such lessons in the curriculum of all schools. We might even have a degree, so long as we keep it to "B.W."—Bachelor of Women. Master of Women would never be allowed.

But who is to do the teaching? It couldn't be a man, because no man knows more than half a dozen things about the other sex, such as that they wear skirts, look nice, and are clever at proving him wrong. It looks as though our teacher will have to be a woman.

But alas for the idea. Although every woman knows the other sex like an open book, most of them don't know the first thing about themselves.



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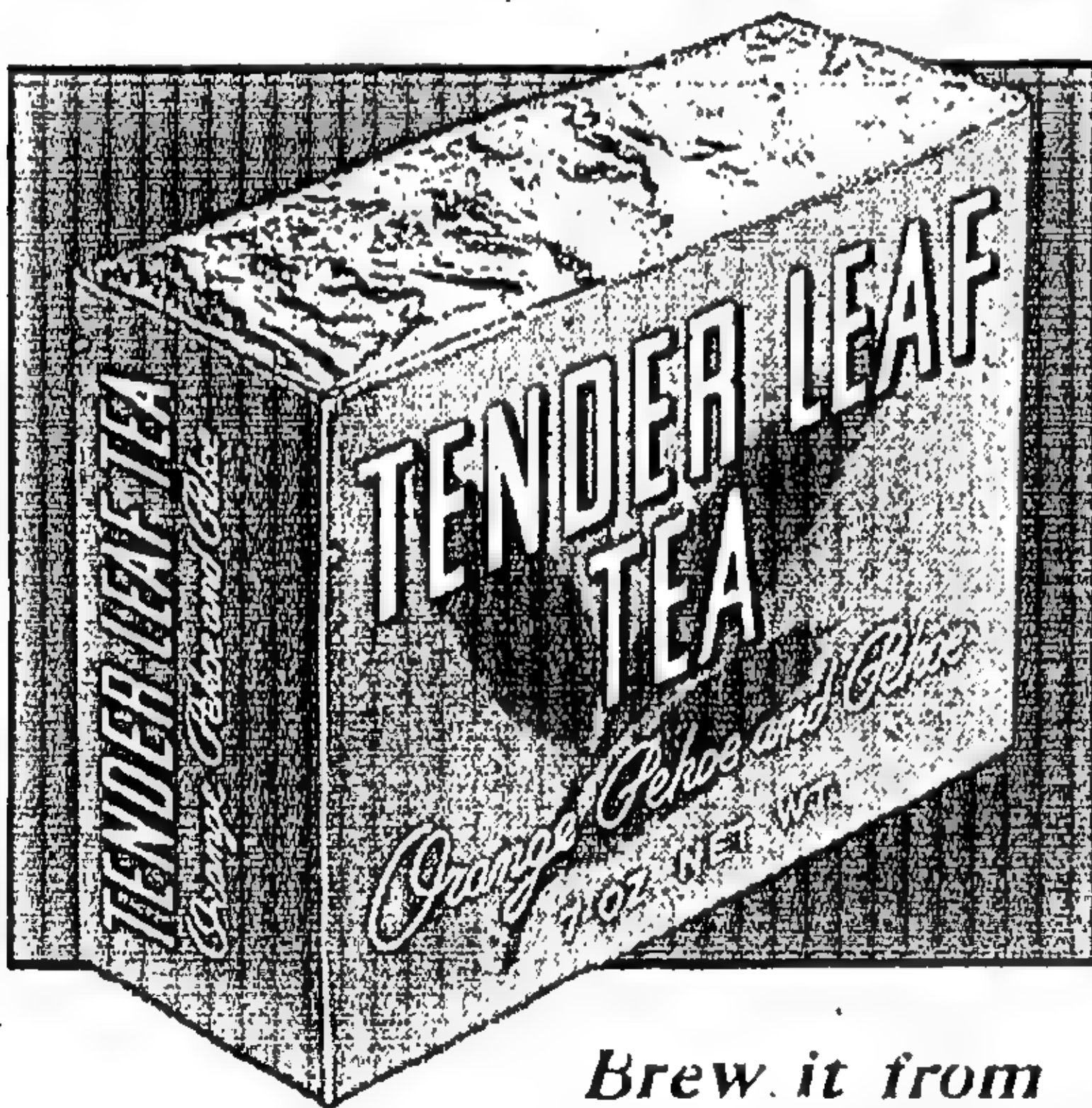
(Left.) **BLACK** and cardinal red lacquered satin makes this evening ensemble, and dull gold sequins trim the front of the bodice and the guilette cuff. A cool back adds to the graceful line of the gown.

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IS IT TRUE THAT MEN ARE HAPPIER THAN WOMEN?

IS there more unhappiness among women than men? Undoubtedly. Chiefly because the average woman has all her "eggs" so to speak, in the emotional "basket." Her happiness is generally at the mercy of others, whether in the family or social circle, because her feelings are allowed to make her heaven or hell.

Much useless fret and fuming over small domestic "jars" or social slights, petty jealousies, and foolish envy rob many women of happiness. Trifles, that most men would forget the next minute or laugh off, will start a woman brooding. Before she has finished, it is a case of the "mole-hill" and "mountain," and it is going to take some doing on somebody's part to get that "mountain" down again.

Emotion Under Control
MEN appear to be a great deal more conservative of emotion, and, in the main, keep it well under control. When a man is face to face with a real sorrow he doubtless feels as deeply as any woman can, but he is not given to allowing himself to become all "worked up" and wretched over small troubles.

It is just that "something" to fall back upon that women need to cultivate if they are to be spared much unhappiness. That "something" should be sought for well outside the danger zone of the emotions.

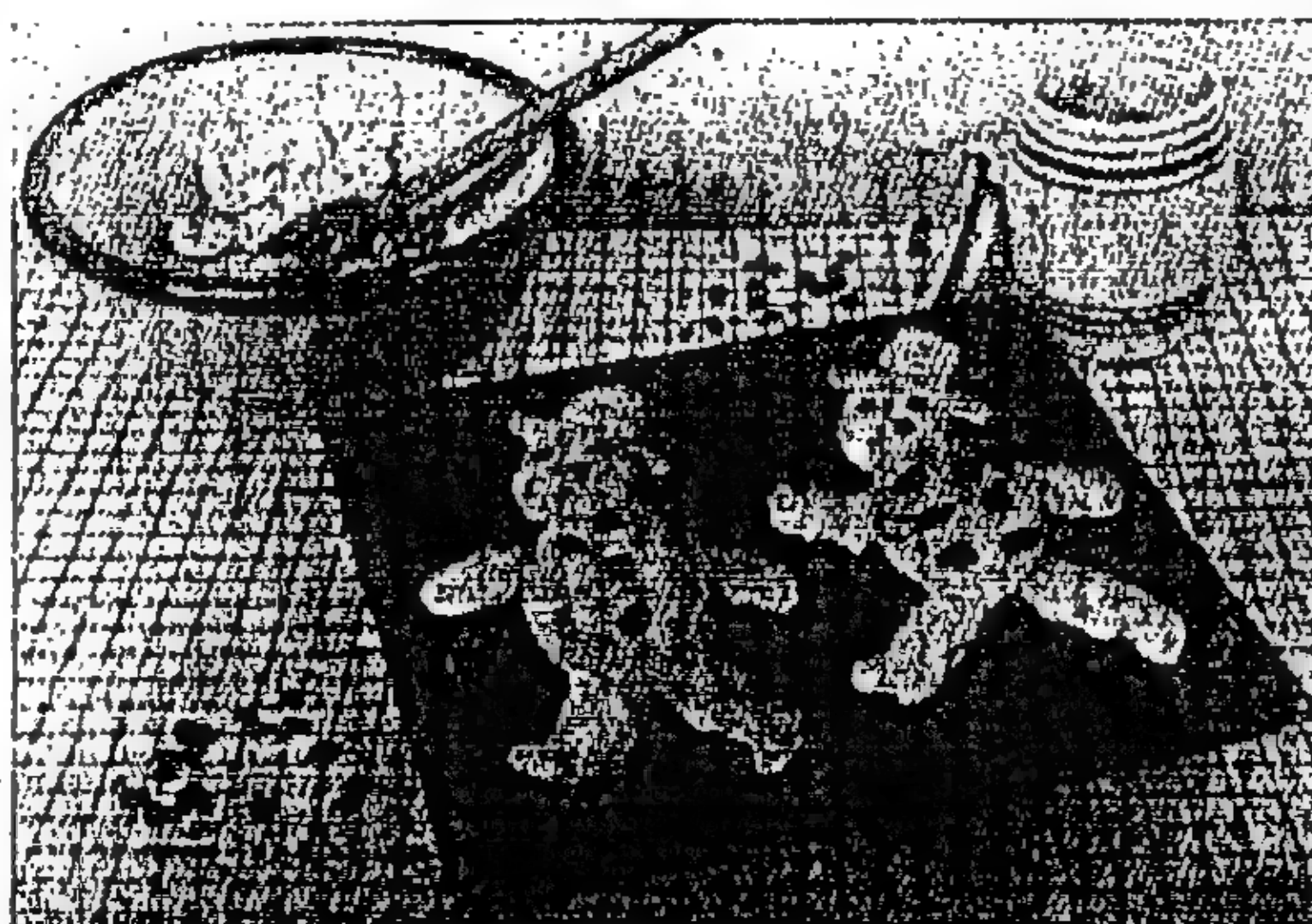
Try the mental plane. Hitch

your interest to something worth while; something infinitely larger than the petty upsets that so annoy and hurt. You will then soon build a reserve of happiness upon which you can draw at will.
—E. Wigney.

YULE DOUGH

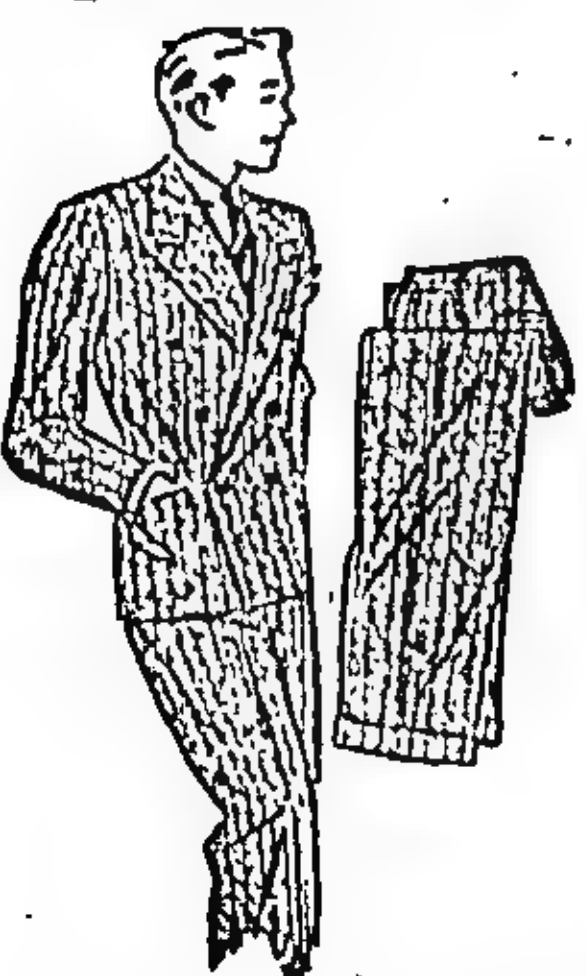
Christmas comes but once a year, And when it comes it brings a good cheer—

is something we were taught in childhood. How many folk make Yule Doughs to-day, I wonder? At one time they were eaten and washed down with draughts of wassail after the company returned from rolling in the Yule log to burn, and with holly and ivy to deck the house for Christmas. Later they were made in the North of England for Christmas fare proper, and invariably formed part of Christmas Day tea. As the dough is simply a tea-cake mixture, it is a very wise idea to serve these to little folk who have eaten plum pudding or mince pie for lunch. They used to be rolled into an oval, and a face was made with sultanas as nose, eyes and mouth, and more added to form the buttons of a coat as in the photograph. Curious, it may be, but one finds children will choose Yule Doughs in preference to elaborate and richer Christmas dainties.



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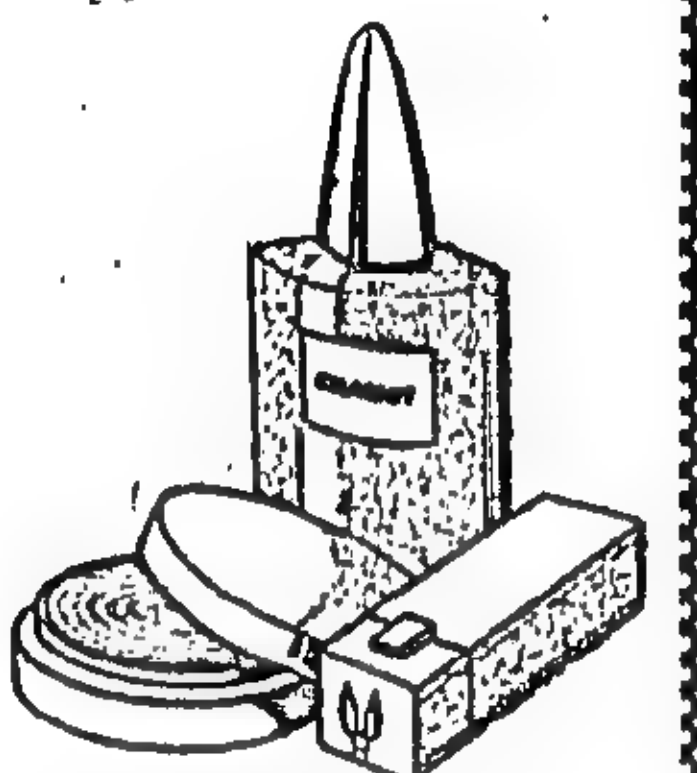
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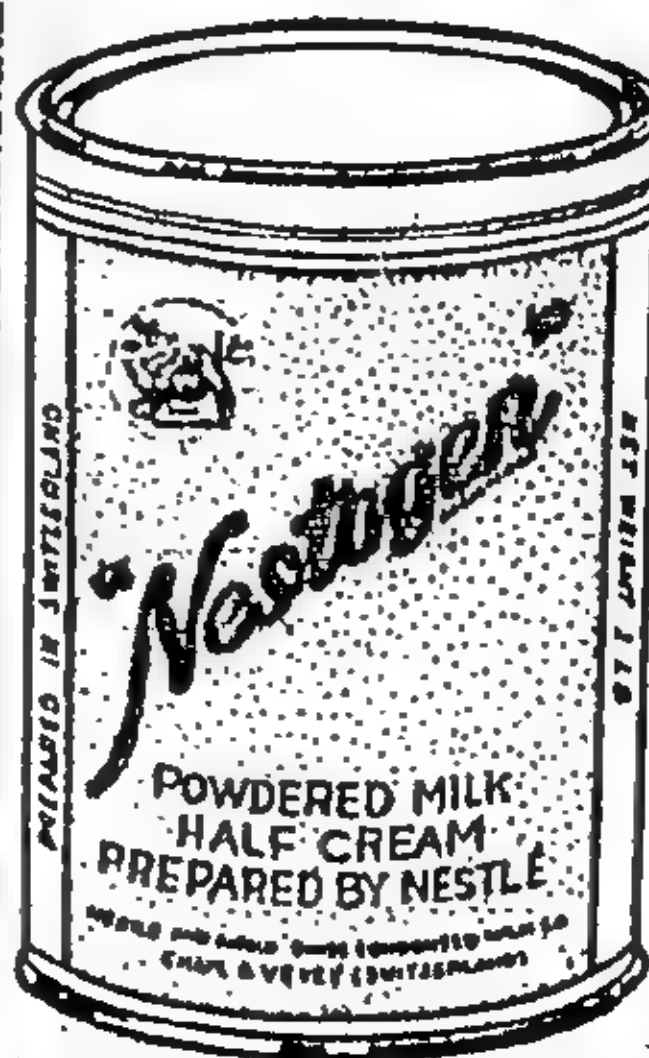
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A FEW years back only the most sophisticated folk dined out Christmas week; the hotels were deserted and everybody who could afford it, departed to the country. Poor relations stayed put and ate the contents of Uncle George's hamper round the solid mahogany.

Times change and customs disappear, and to-day Christmas week is the Hotels and Cabarets busiest time of the year. Managements rack their brains for something new to titillate the eye and palate of the blasé super class, and spare no expense to give the guests a Christmas frolic worthy of tradition.

The Gloucester, a hotel that is fast becoming the Colony's gay spot, presents a double bill,

starring Andrews and Sykes supported by Don and Dolly. Extensions Christmas Eve and Boxing Night are 2 p.m. and New Year's Eve expires at three next morning.

Slicker Cabaret

Cabaret which is no longer an end in itself but a diversion from the primary exercise of dancing, is getting slicker every year. Ja Andrews and Pat Sykes are old favourites whose polished dancing is always a delight to watch. Genius, they say, is one tenth inspiration and nine-tenths perspiration; certainly these two have practiced until dancing has become their natural locomotion. Their waltz is a rhythmic marvel; each step a delicate precision that dissolves in a flowing pattern, and like everything perfect, leaves the onlooker envious and a trifle ashamed of his own imperfections.

Don and Dolly who are new to the Colony, specialise in Spanish numbers. Don dances



Don and Dolly.

like a true Gaucho and his Argentine Tango sets everybody's heels tapping. Dolly is a glamorous creature who conveys the maximum sex appeal in the widest of skirts. In Mexico City, their rumba drew the attention of President Calles, who greatly admired Dolly's pluperfect figure.

English Holly Decor

The decor is English holly and lashings of snow which is traditional and in keeping with the snug comfort of the new lounge which has recently been made out of one half of the side terrace. The other half has been utilised to accommodate extra tables, increasing the floor space and allowing plenty of room for a romp.

The Gloucester is noted for its food, and Chef Adolf Muenger has some new dishes under his tall hat. One, Filet Mignon Marsala, is graced by an original sauce worthy of Escottier. Another, Poulet Souvaroff, is the invention of Maître Paul Chessex, himself. A young chicken is sealed in a special paste and cooked in a compote dish. The dish is brought straight from the kitchen to the table and the seals broken in the presence of the diner whose nostrils are assailed by Lucullan odours as the bird is carefully peeled in front of him.

Elaborate Entertainment

The Hong Kong Hotel provides a more elaborate and more cynical entertainment, in the shape of the Midnight Follies, seven beautiful girls under the direction of A. Volsky, famed Ballet Master. Each one is as mouth watering as anything in Fortunum and Mason's, and the glamour shines. No expense has been spared (The Midnight Follies are the most expensive act over to have appeared in Hong Kong) and the undress embodies an artistic profusion of feathers and sequins.

Monsieur Volsky who is well known in Paris and Monte Carlo, has devised some Folies Bergères numbers that may cause the sophisticated habitués to



Szita and Anis

wish that they had brought their opera glasses along. He dances himself in one or two, and balletomanes will have an opportunity of seeing something of the incomparable technique of the Ballet Russe.

Szita and Anis have proved such a success that they have had their booking extended to cover the Christmas festivities. This was a wise move on the management's part, since Anis never repeats a costume and each week they present an entirely new programme.

Just in case some hard headed Scotsman may think he isn't getting value for his shilling, the Hotel have engaged a Hungarian Band who will alternate with Art Carneiro's orchestra in the Grill and the Roof Garden. The Hungarians wear their national costume and play Tangos and old fashioned waltzes.

Gala Night

Friday the 24th is a gala night with extension to 3 a.m. in the Grill Room and the Roof Garden. On Boxing night there is a special dinner dance in the Roof Garden from 9 to 2 a.m. New Year's Eve follows Christmas Eve, except that the Management have something special up their sleeve to greet 1938 with. At the moment it's a secret and as close as an oyster with a lovely pearl inside.

Dinner costs \$10 and the after dinner charge is \$5. The latter includes coffee and sandwiches and a cup of hot soup to warm departing guests who have long car rides through the grey dawn. In the Roof Garden the Hotel is featuring special Chinese Chow and the Management have imported a vintage champagne that is as good as it is reasonable.

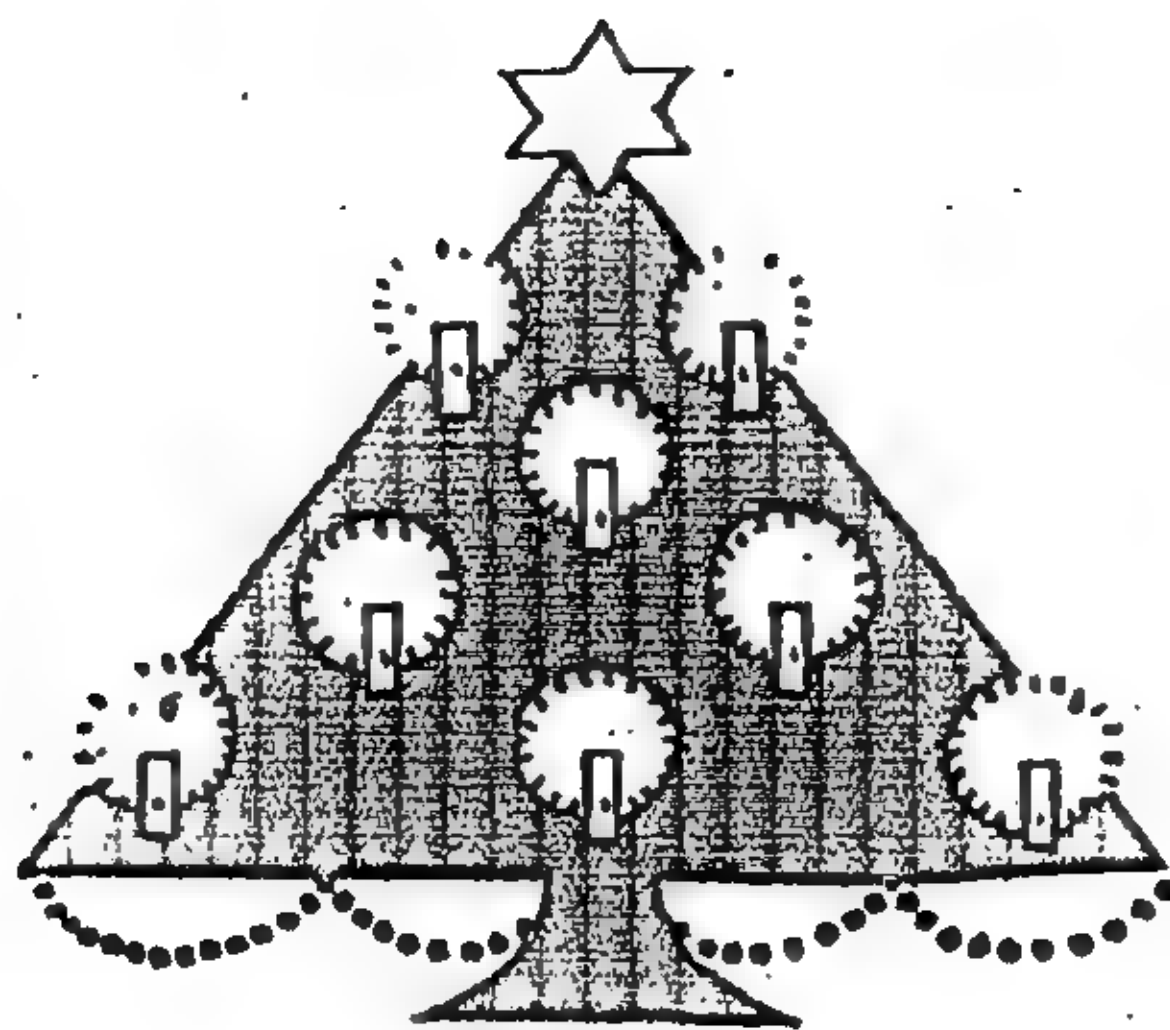
For those rare souls who prefer moonlit seas to legs, Repulse Bay Hotel provides a pleasant alternative to the gay spots. The fish is the best in the world and the service discreet and silent. Tired business men who really are tired, and need the Christmas recess to recuperate their energies, will enjoy the peace and quiet of the prettiest baylet along the coast.



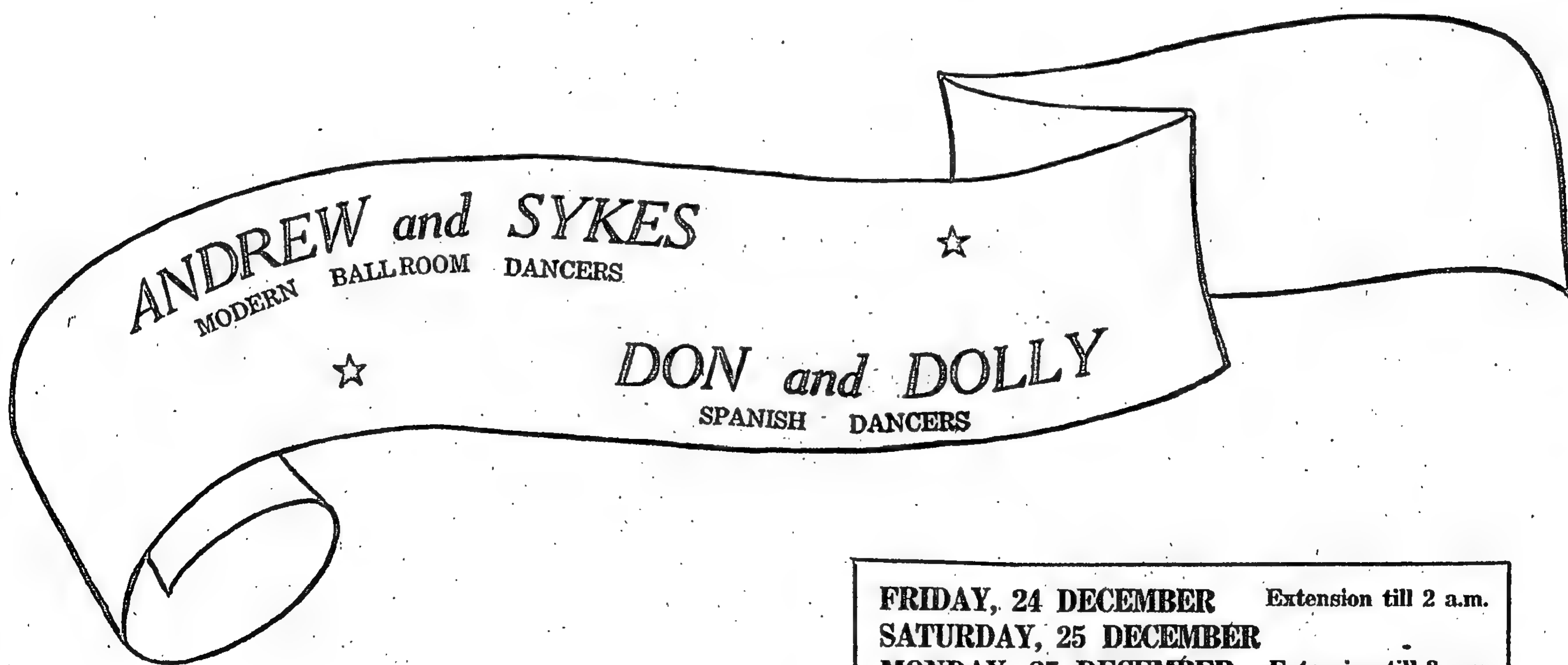
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What There Is To Buy And Where?

NOW that Christmas is at our doorstep I am reminded of a story. One is always reminded of a story, of course, but this is a very appropriate one as you will see in a moment.

One night Mrs. Johnson (we will call them the Johnsons—why not?) turned, with an unusually grave face, to her husband: "William, have you noticed—if you indeed ever notice anything—that Elizabeth has grown into a young lady?" "Hm-mm" said William. "She will be seventeen in a month!" "Hm-mm"—that again from the direction of William. "Well, what I want to say is that it is about time that Elizabeth in told a few things about life. You can't keep her in ignorance for ever. Just yesterday I read an article by one of those psychologists, how it affects a child's mentality to be kept in ignorance, how they hate their parents afterward—and such things." "So, what?" yawned William. "I want you to have a talk with Elizabeth." "Me? Don't be ridiculous! Those sort of things are a mother's business." And so on, arguments into the night.

Finally it was decided that Grandma Johnson should be asked to deal with the delicate task. Grandma felt shy about it, but there was a great deal of talk about wisdom, experience, etc., until she consented. After dinner, she took Elizabeth into her room and began: "Now, Elizabeth, . . . er . . . ahem . . . you are no more a child. Very soon you will have to face the world facts of life. Your parents want you to be prepared, as every young woman should be. Elizabeth, I know, it is hard to leave the dreams of young girlhood behind, to discover that life is made of cold realities and not of fairy tales. But you must face the facts boldly Elizabeth . . . must believe that for the lost glamour of fairy tales there are com-

pensations in that life . . . outside of your white and lavender room . . . Elizabeth, please, do not be too disappointed. Elizabeth . . . er . . . Elizabeth . . . Oh, Darling! There is NO Santa Claus!"

In our childhood we were all made to believe in Santa Claus or Father Christmas. We all hung up our stockings at the fireplace and—there you were!—next morning neatly filled with things you wished for during the year. Unless—it was a bicycle or a very large rocking horse: that was standing under the Christmas Tree. But we all grew up, and before anybody could tell us the truth about Father Christmas—we were wandering aimlessly through the shops wondering what to buy for everybody.

And you sigh over the job of Father Christmas as no joke, and, feeling that if there were a real Santa Claus, even he could not be a mind reader—so how are you to know what she would like for her Christmas present!

It will be your own fault, if you fail this year, because the opportunity is here to do a perfect job of being a Father Christmas or a "Mother Christmas." The shops are full of suggestions: you must learn how to take advantage of them. In fact, never has Hong Kong seen such a display of goods suitable for Christmas presents, never such variety, never such a happy mixture of new and unusual ideas.

Now listen to me all you erring would-be Santa Clauses. Listen to one who has seen so many Christmases that he could call himself Great-Grand-Father Christmas!

In spite of that, under the whiskers is an unruffled shirt (Lane, Crawford's men's out-

fitting dept.) and under that shirt is an untroubled heart. An untroubled heart, because I know that I shall walk jauntily through the shops, do some picking here and there and my name will be blessed again this year by all my friends. Come with me all of you, on my Christmas shopping expedition and see how I do it.

THE WAY TO THE HEART OF A FAIR LADY (ALSO THE BRUNETTE)

First of all, I never make the mistake, so commonly made, of starting out with the most important presents, buying lavishly, and by the time I come to the less important but numerous other recipients, find there is little money left and end up with a summary purchase of dozens of hankies. A present never should be casual, no matter how little its value. So, I first make a list of names and put down the amount I can afford. Then I begin my purchases with the smaller presents, because disposing first of the innumerable odds and ends leaves more time for the consideration of the more important presents.

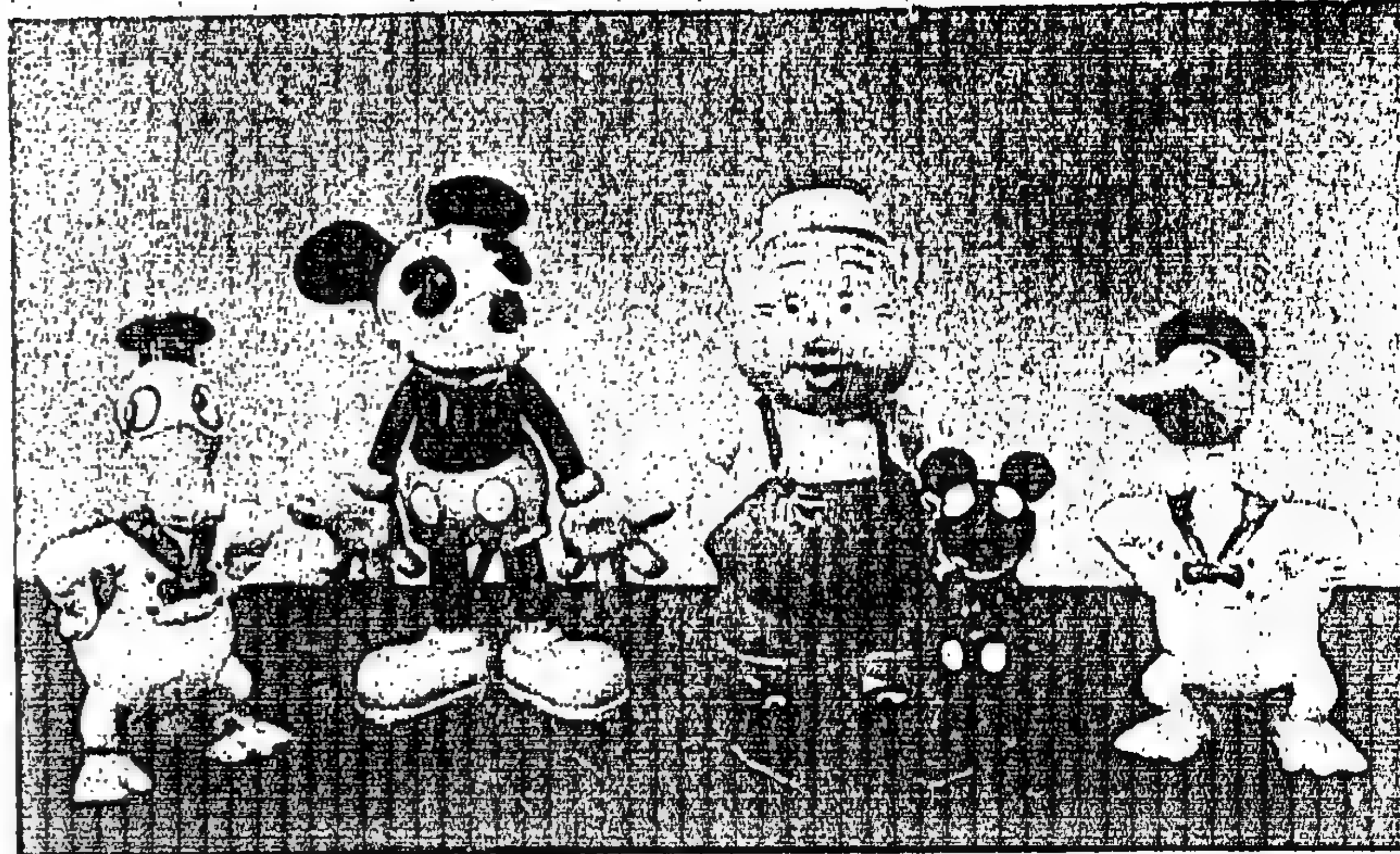
Let us start with the ladies. There are a dozen of them, about six of whom, I classify as the flapper type. I am sure they will like perfume or beauty preparations. We will make this a sentimental Christmas for them. So we take the lift to Lane, Crawford's perfumery section and feast our eyes on the dainty bottles and boxes inscribed with the names of Chanel, Guerlain, Worth, Patou, Lanvin, Elizabeth Arden, etc. Though these names sound rather expensive there are things to fit into your budget. We give a quick consideration

to the personalities of the young ladies in question and deftly make our selection. The lady at the counter is a great help; she tells us of all the vogues in lipstick and which perfume is the latest craze in Paris.

That finished, we walk past the wares displayed and here and there a problem automatically solves itself. For instance, at the Silverware Department we see in a case a delightful little cigarette-lighter which reminds us that one lady on the list is a smoker and takes great delight in doing it elegantly. So the cigarette-lighter is just the thing for her! While we are there, we are reminded that our hard-working secretary who deserves special attention on this occasion, has lately had a lot of trouble with her watch. A "Rolex" precision watch will make her grateful for ever.

Opposite is the Sports Department and we think of the young lady whose time is mainly spent on the tennis courts. Another fine racket will be handy! For the other ladies at the bottom of the list we have some definite ideas, so we leave Lane, Crawford's for the time being.

But before we go on we turn into the Gloucester Cafe and refresh ourselves with a glass of hot Ovaltine—it will do us good. Ovaltine is an old habit with me. And a good habit too. A glass of hot Ovaltine before turning in and I sleep like a babe. That reminds me of another young friend of mine. She's been looking a bit pale lately. Some Ovaltine . . . we make a note of it. And now . . . here we are at the Dairy Farm. We order a hamper containing a fine turkey, an excellent Australian ham and some other provisions for a lady friend of ours, who is a good wife and mother and not



The Mickey Mouse Family are always appealing to children. Here we have a group consisting of Donald Duck, \$1.50 ea., Mickey Mouse, \$2.25 for the large one and 75 cents for the smaller, and my favourite pig, The Builder. He and his equally famous brothers cost \$2.25. At Lane, Crawford's.

long ago complained about the price of food and how hard it is to manage now-a-days.

Next, to Helmut Nocht where, when I bought my own camera, I saw an inexpensive little camera with all the latest gadgets and which takes marvellous little pictures. Beryl will be positively enthusiastic about it. She is a snap-shot fiend.

We cross again to the Gloucester Building, up to the first floor to see Mr. Brown at the "Vogue." There we take care of Mary in a novel manner. I pay for a pair of "Vogue's" famous Hollywood shoes, they send a chit to Mary, and she can go and select a pair of shoes to suit herself. Mary is a smart dresser; she loves nice things—we can't go wrong.

VANITY, THE NAME IS NOT ALWAYS WOMAN

It is a general misconception that men are easier and more grateful subjects to bestow Christmas presents on. It must

be a bitter pill for any idealistic girl to swallow the information that some men were known to become chronic melancholies after the receipt of an unusually atrocious Christmas gift neck-tie. It isn't true that all neck-ties are the same nor that every man drinks and that bottles of whisky any brand of whisky will always be appreciated.

Yes, whisky will be appreciated in some quarters, but not any brand—mind you! I have made a mental note, for just such occasions, that my friend George always orders Dewar's. So we are off to A. S. Watson's & Co. Ltd., give our order and we can be sure that George and his crowd will most kindly remember us—and Watson's.

These little mental notes can be extremely helpful. You make them unconsciously every day and they are or should be effortlessly recalled. That is how I know, though I never smoke cigars, that Alex does and what brand. I have often met him at one of the "La Perla Oriente" stores selecting his cigars. Needless to say that the "La Perla Oriente" is the next place we visit, and on Christmas evening, Alex will happily recline in his easy chair blowing blue smoke rings, and

think that after all there are still some sensible chaps left in this world.

This simple system of consideration of the individual character and habits takes us to Gilman & Co.'s sport department where we get advice on golf-clubs for someone I know wants them and the type he wants. At the Tabacqueria Filipina I get a BBB pipe for Frank, who already has a pipe—one which keeps everybody at least half a mile distant. But he is too much of a Scot to buy a new one. That present will make me innumerable friends in addition to having Frank's appreciation.

Then there is the young man who has gone completely "nuts" on Chinese Curries. He hasn't much money to spend and I often see him gazing longingly at things he can't afford. "The Dragon Lantern" comes in handy.

To show just one instance of how a little thought will lead to appreciation, here is John. John is coming to tea on Christmas Eve. He is fond of pastry and every afternoon at five he appears religiously at the Cafe Wiseman for some of his favourite choices. Johnny will be regaled with his Cafe Wiseman pastry.

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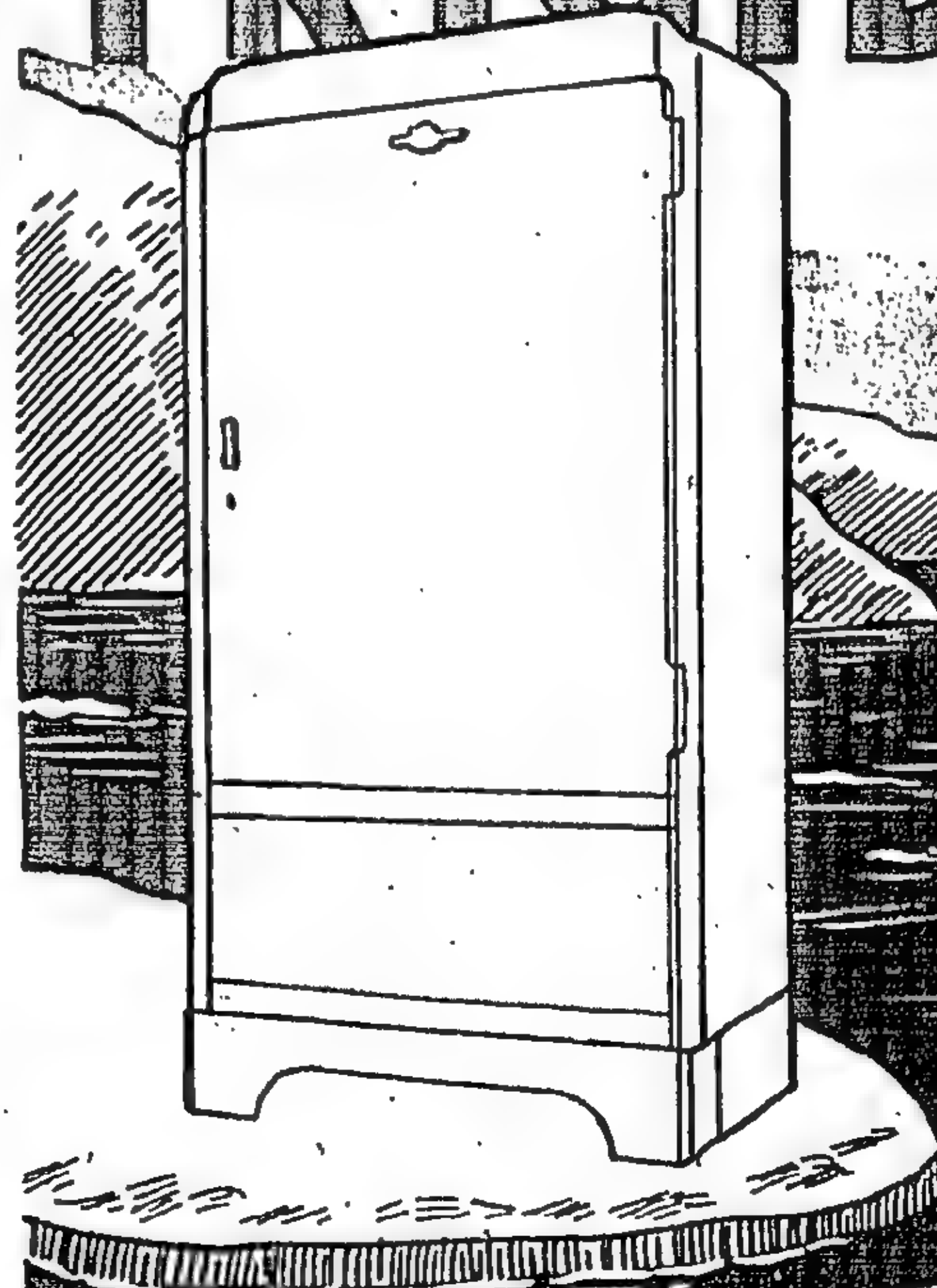
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YOU will agree with me, friendly readers, that this little globe of ours is tending towards a monotonous commonplace uniformity: what with Hawaiians becoming Americanised, our Chinese friends becoming Westernised, African negroes getting Christianised and what not. Yet, and thank our lucky stars for it, there are still a few Xmas traditions worth recording under various skies, in civilised as well as more primitive countries.

You know that the yule log that cheers many a fireplace was originally an astronomical symbol representing our planet and the solar disc, adopted when Xmas replaced the pagan festival of the winter solstice.

In the South of France, especially in the old Roman province called now *Provence*, the foreigner may observe peasants gathered solemnly round the hearth on Xmas eve, while the *pater familias* pours some wine over a huge log, murmuring words of blessing to his audience. This ceremony in nothing but the ancient Græco-Roman rite of libations to the lares, the family gods in whose honour the home fire was always kept burning.

As in all Roman Catholic countries, the Midnight Mass has remained a regular custom in France; rich and poor in towns or villages keeping vigil (revelion) at home, until the appointed hour. In Notre-Dame de Paris the service and music, among the finest in the world, attracts such a crowd of devotees that one has to book a seat at least a week in advance.

Christmas at sea between Mauritius and Durban when on home leave. You know that story of the tiny mite sobbing to its heart's content on the festive week: "What is the matter, dearie? Tell Auntie all about it."—"Big Brother has a holiday, and I have none."—"Too bad, but why shouldn't you have a holiday for Xmas?"—"He goes to school, and I don't."

This is just the way I felt on board the good "Tasman" when

I thought of excitement in London and all over the world at that time of the year. But thanks to a circus Company with stars of every nationality which we were taking to Lourenco Marques, the ship took on a bright festive atmosphere on that Christmas Eve, with much singing, dancing and merry-making.

A month later, in Kenya, I happened to visit a remote French Mission. The good padre admitted he was rather pleased with the progress of his simple flock. But he told us how in the Congo Colony where he had been stationed formerly, he had felt almost broken-hearted with disappointment: "For Christmas, I had asked some French planters St. Joseph and the Madonna, made a perfect

large public square. Hawaiian voices can sound heavenly in the mystery of the night, and when the robed angels blew their trumpets on the top of the City Hall, the illusion was complete.

As for Santa Claus, poor dear, he could not come down the chimney (since there were no chimneys for him to come down as Mike would say), so with a remarkable gift of adaptation, he came on his sledge down a hill. I heard the tinkling of its bells and was perfectly convinced, for my part, "Let us pretend," six-year-old Betty murmurs to her brother, working herself to the right frame of mind. Wise little Betty. She understands already the value of illusion in life.

In Java and all the Dutch East Indies, Santa Claus, who was good St. Nicolas of Spain, descends from Heaven on his anniversary December 6th; can you blame him for not awaiting Christmas day? He is almost a national institution and very much of a children's friend. So not only do clubs in every town receive his visit, with that of his black servant "Pieter Baas" holding a broom; not only does he deliver these sermons for children good and bad (and how he knows them all, is a miracle indeed); but every school prepares for his coming for days ahead. There will be words of welcome for him on every blackboard, songs and playlets recited in his honour, parents invited and sweets distributed. Then St. Niklaas will repair to his motor-car and ride full speed to another school!

I remember a cartoon by my French friend Fabres (who is bald and equal to Don Quixote in stature). There he is hoisted in somebody's arms ready to greet the landing of St. Niklaas, in Ambon (Moluccas). He looks so excited and cute in his sailor suit, while exclaiming: "After all Santa Claus, are we not all big Children?" And, indeed, are we not?

At Honolulu, in Hawaii, I had my first experience of a tropical Christmas; there everything is celebrated in the open air, from Easter at sunrise on Punchbowl Hill to community carols sung by hundreds of school-children in the

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Pretty soon, ships' sides, barracks and hangars, will be quieter than Gray's churchyard and save for a sleek tabby or two, as devoid of life. The skeleton staff, composed mainly of the thriftless ones, are snugly ensconced in the canteen in front of a roaring fire, alternately toasting cheese and the lone dame behind the bar. In the Officers' Quarters, a grey haired man slowly sips a sherry and wonders for the fifteenth Christmas, whether he was really wise in putting career before marriage.

GREY SPATS OF ALAN At Euston, Kings Cross, Waterloo and Victoria, bowler hatted civilians searching for a seat, peer through steam blurred windows and make up their minds to pay the difference. Uniforms and neat blue suits, knife creased beneath biscuits for the past month, fill the carriages and overflow into the corridors. A brawny lad wearing the Black Watch kilt, and laden with kit bags, hovers uncertainly in the doorway of a first class carriage. Someone gives him a push, and he stumbles in, tripping over a pair of pearl-grey spats. The white haired old gentleman, coughs, splutters, and retrieves his cigar. "Sorry, Sorry!" Something about the lad reminds Grey Spats of Alan—the same clear, blue eyes. A Ticket Inspector bustles in, his waxed moustaches bristling. Grey Spats nods to him. "Quite alright, Inspector. This gentleman is travelling up with me." Next morning, Grey Spats encounters Alan's son with a detail-

For Twenty-Four Hours Officers and Men Ignore The Rigid Line That Divides Them The Rest of the Year

ed account of the innards of a Carden Lloyd, Mark III.

All over the land, trains and buses are carrying men of His Majesty's Services homewards. Mother airs the sheets, blissfully unconscious her boy has stood for hours in the teeth of an Atlantic gale, or snored beneath a waterproof sheet, oblivious of the constant drip. Father sips his beer and gazes with silent pride on the stalwart who scored three goals last Saturday, and wishes he might have been there to see him do it.

On street corners, neat young men wait disconsolate, wondering uselessly if brass buttons have anything to do with Mabel being so late.

IN HONG KONG In Hong Kong, the picture's not so rosy. Christmas leave is confined to a short holiday and generally has to be spent aboard ship or in barracks. Though Christmas spent in either place can never have the same meaning as Christmas spent at home, no one gets downhearted about it.

Tradition demands that on the day, discipline shall be relaxed, and for twenty-four hours, Officers and Men ignore the rigid line that divides them during the rest of the year. Little lapses such as failing to salute, or being a trifle untidy on the feet, normally visited with swift punishment, are winked at. The licence is rarely abused and the atmosphere is one of camaraderie and good fellowship. Practical jokes are the order

of the day and are specially favoured by the Navy. One A. B. invaded the holy of holies, and emerged resplendent in the Admiral's full dress. Adjusting the gold corded, cocked hat to his own habitually rakish angle, he calmly strolled bridgwards. On his way up, a corpulent gentleman in a pair of old flannel bags, and wearing a battered felt pulled down over his eyes, stepped aside and respectfully touched his hat as the "Admiral" swayed past. Full of authority and other liquids, the masquerader touchily ordered the blankety blank civilian to lift his blankety hat six inches clear of the brow. The civilian duly complied, exposing the awful majesty of an outraged Commander in Chief. History records that the A. B. escaped with a wiggling.

HIGHSPOT IN THE ARMY In the Army, Christmas dinner is the highspot of the day. The dining rooms are lavishly decorated, and the six foot tables covered by snowy tablecloths and adorned with vases of flowers. A small army of cooks in professional hats and spotless overalls, stand by. The men scramble into their places, laughing, joking and chipping the Sergeant Cook on the quality and quantity of his dinner. When all are seated, the Officers headed by the Colonel, enter. A Bugler blows, "Come to the cookhouse door, boys," and dinner is served. The Officers and N. C. O. wait on the men, plying them with turkey, plum pudding and mincepies, and seeing that glasses are kept filled. When all have eaten and drunk their fill, the Colonel wishes everybody a Merry Christmas, and in company with the officers, discreetly retires. For those who are not already hors de combat, there is an extra special tea, and later, in the canteen, an impromptu variety concert winds up the day. As a civilian guest remarked as they carried him out to a taxi—There are worse places than the Army to spend Christmas in!

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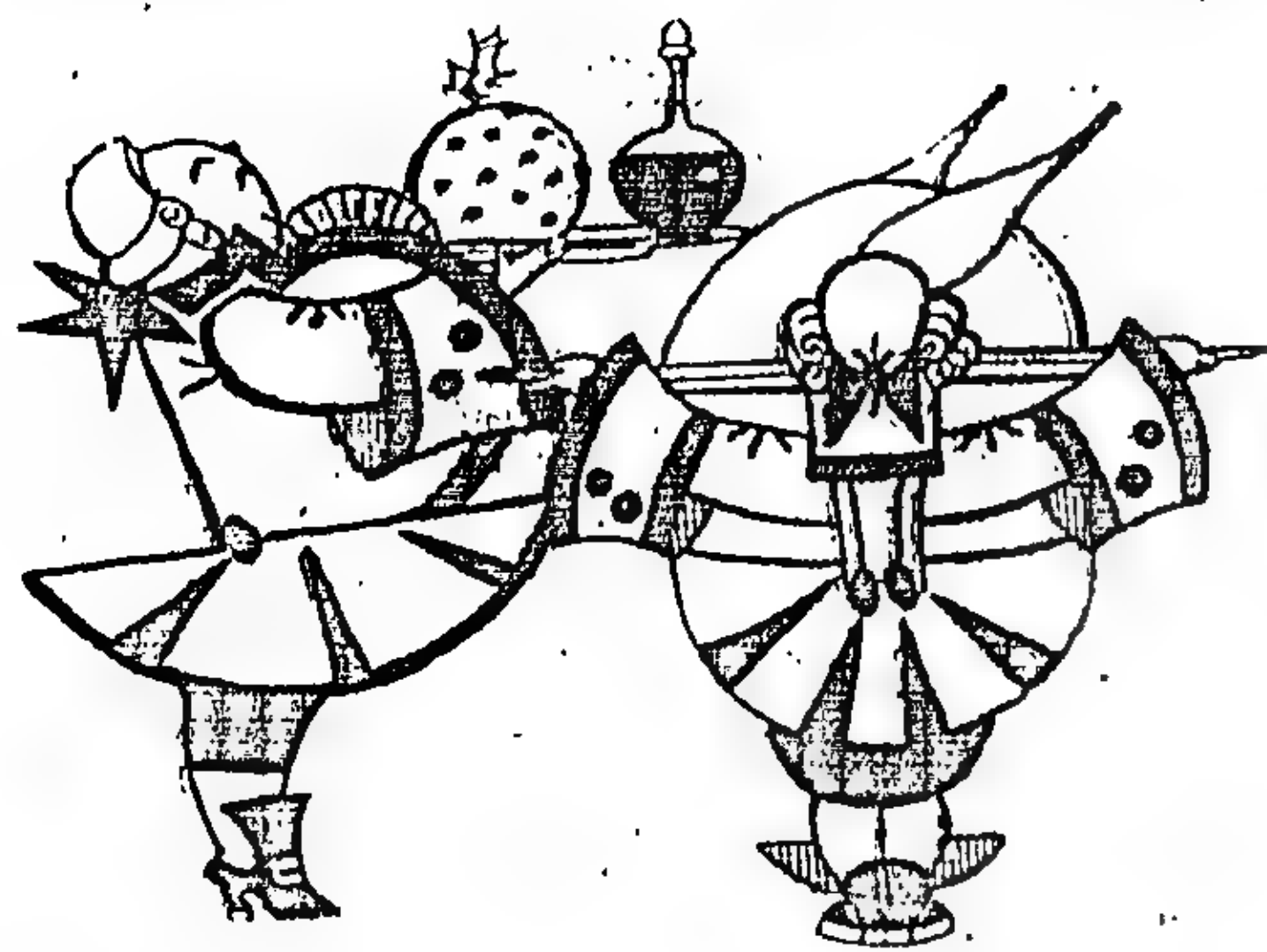
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ROUND THE LOCAL SHOPS

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AND now there is a knotty problem. We have a terribly intellectual friend and according to you, you careless, superficial shoppers, books are indicated. But he is certain to have any book that I got. So what? Here is where ingenuity comes in handy. What will a real, 24-carat hall-marked intellect appreciate more than a classic? Another classic, of course. Johnnie Walker, a classic among whiskies. Well—we order some first editions of it at Caldbeck, MacGregor's and if he does not find this a merry Christmas—then we don't know an intellect.

Now we prepare for a long session. We are off to Whiteaway, Laidlaw's. A lot of men love matching sets of things—here's a feast for such. Pull-over, sweater, socks, necktie and scarf. That disposes of Eddie. And then there is the lad with a good thick mane and has a practical turn of mind—we get him a nice set of military brushes.

The Small Fry

For the time being, we drop the he-men with a bang and go to the toy department to take care of the tiny tots—of your own offspring or those of your friends. They are the hardest case of the lot. Your friends, if you make a mistake, will just smile politely and grind their teeth behind your back; but sweet, little innocent ones will soon give you the raspberry. But at Whiteaway's your job will be easy. There's such a variety of new things to amaze the youngsters that you must be extremely dull if you are not able to satisfy one and all.

And then—there is the little girl with a grown up brother and the rest of the family all to be bestowed. What could be better than a present for the little girl and the whole family too, in a magnificent manner. The idea was given by mother herself. She loves to tell of the clever things little Mary says and does, and the other day was telling how Mary, as father reclined in his easy chair and started to snore, began to twist his coat buttons. "What are you doing Mary?" asked Mother. "Oh, I'm trying to tune in for something else."

That story leads us to Anderson, Meyer & Co., Ltd., where we buy a 1938 Tone Monitor Radio. Little Mary will have no difficulty afterwards in tuning in—even the whole world if she likes—and it is a present that will more than satisfy the whole family.

And we must not forget that the critical babes won't find us completely generous without adding some sweets to each of our presents. The more sweets the better. And none better than Nestle's chocolates. So we buy a goodly supply.

I have a Sonny not quite two years old, but he is already an automobile enthusiast. He can't speak very well yet, but he can say the word motor-car in five languages! I saw a lovely big red motor-car at Lane, Crawford's so we will look in to see whether it is still to be had.

Now Tying with Some Ideas

Now we have disposed of a good part of our obligations, we are to spend the rest of the day planning our own wife's Christmas presents. Note the plural, please! It has to be plural because she is herself very generous. And as she is, of course, a very, very deserving case . . . and as this year she has not had the measles or any of those little "incidental" which hand a tidy little sum to the doctor, what is to be done? Now out for the search. Every man likes to see the light of his life trailing around in some gorgeous confection dubbed a tea-gown or something. Again Whiteaway & Laidlaw's. There is a perfectly stunning one in lavender. That's her colour. My eyes rest on a nightie of the same colour, a real smart one—we take that too. Don't think the little woman frivolous. Smile, if you like, but she likes to dress to please us. She is a good housewife too, and now we stop lightly and gaily as we are going to buy the "piece de resistance" of this year's Christ-

mas. I said she was a good housewife, so your guess must be easy. That's right! We are going to Dodwell's in Alexandra Building to buy her that large, shiny, beautiful white "Frigidairo." Mind you—I said "Frigidairo" not any refrigerator, but a real "Frigidairo." And that "Frigidairo" is a gift in every sense of the word. I really shouldn't put it on the Christmas budget, because that shiny, white machine will pay for itself during the year.

Considering all that, we decide that we shall not be too extravagant if we include also a radio to replace our old weather-beaten one. It's a five year old model and therefore about time. Opposite is the new show-room of Gilman & Co. We sail in, we listen a while to their new Columbia Radios, the first ones in the Colony, and it's love at first sight and hearing. A lovely piece to look at and a revelation to listen to.

The picture of the Frigidairo wouldn't be complete without adequate "landscape," so quick-

buy up the whole shop even though our money will go far in the China Emporium. We are on the ground floor, right before the photographic supply counter so we will begin there. There are two names on our list definitely marked "camera." I buy a Rollei-flex for Jimmy, who is beginning to be very ambitious about his amateur photography. We also purchase a Voigtlander for a visiting niece, who buys millions of picture postcards of Hong Kong. Now she will make her own. That done, I remember that the wife's Eau de Cologne supply is diminishing. 4711 is her brand and as even I can't improve on that, a generous bottle is wrapped up.

Upstairs we buy scores of things, some of them not exactly presents but accessories to the Christmas festival, Christmas cards, bridge pads and prizes, place cards, Christmas Tree decorations, etc. etc.

Gifts for your lady friend are to be found at the China Emporium in great variety. There are perfumes and cosmo-

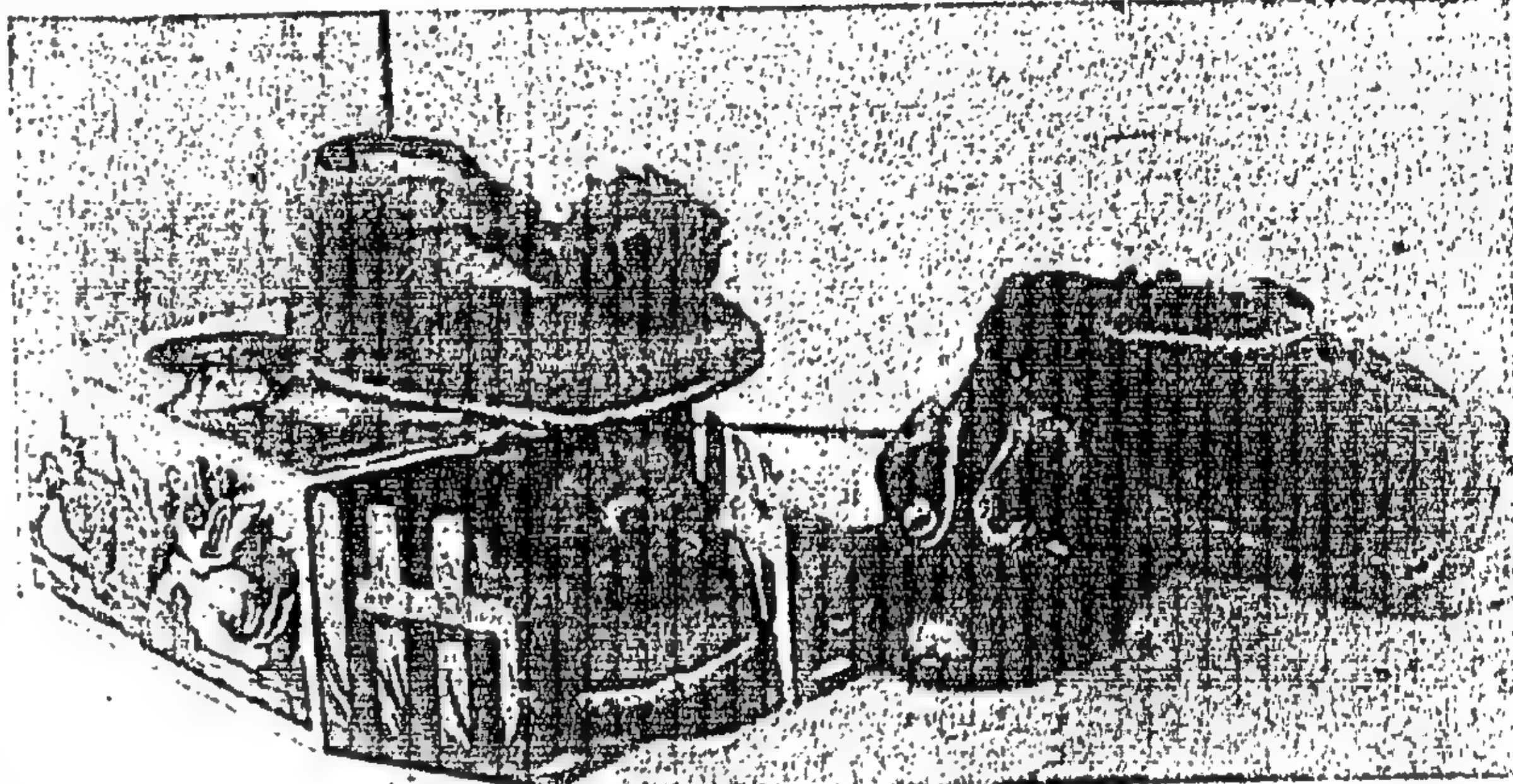
got at Mayo's Shoppe.

Mrs. Mac says she has already all her own supplies ordered for Christmas week: groceries from the Asia Coy. Also tells that she has found some novel Christmas presents at Yee Sang Fat.

Now comes the snapshot album, so inevitable after a holiday. I find them a little monotonous and decide that my present for Mac shall be a Filmo movie camera. He will bring home some livelier souvenirs from his next holiday.

And what will Mrs. Mac's be? One remark falls—and I know! Mrs. Mac is a contributor to some of the Home papers, and not a bad one either. To-morrow we will go to the Office Appliance Co. and get her a nice Royal Portable Typewriter.

I see the wife suppressing a yawn, so I propose that we go. But Mac proposes that before we go we listen to some new Columbia records from Anderson Music Co. After that we go home in cheerful spirits and rest fine and peacefully on our Dunlopillo.



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ly to Tai Wo, the compradore, to order the groceries for Christmas.

Also, there will be some additions to our Columbia Radio, which has a gramophone pick-up, at Moutrie's we will get all the newest records and will be supplied with music for the holidays—and after.

By this time the clock shows one, and we are good and hungry. Just look back over our list and you will agree that we deserve our tiffin at Jimmy's tiffin.

Afterwards—off again to do justice to our reputation as Father Christmas. As we round the corner we are before the festive show-windows of Bata. We won't miss the place; some of the kiddies need new shoes, so why not add them to the Christmas presents?

Across the road is the Pharmacy, where we stop to buy Lavin's latest perfume creation "Scandal," being a connoisseur of good perfume.

In the Gloucester Arcade we must stop at Gilman's wine department and order some Christmas cheer for our own use. Find later sherries, ports, some Anchor beer and my favourite whisky, "King George IV." Here I also get a neat Christmas package of Wills's Cigarettes—my wife's favourite brand varies between Gold Flake, Capstan Magnams and Players—depends what's going.

Before we turn to the other side of the town we make one more stop—at H. Ruttenjoe & Sons—and take care of the Christmas present for our family doctor. He happens to be a Scot, and so thoroughly that malicious tongues say that he wouldn't even treat a patient. This year he hadn't much occasion for it in our family, so the Christmas present will be a sort of consolation prize. But Ruttenjoe has such a large selection of wines and liquors, including H.B. Beer, that it is difficult to know what to choose.

We're all making a turn about now—we haven't far to go. Full of anticipation we enter the China Emporium. Steady, friends steady! Don't lose your head at the sight of the dazzling display. Remember we can't

tics from such famous manufacturers as Chanel, Dorothy Gray, Letherie, Coty and others. There is a beautiful assortment of toilet sets, "flap-jacks" and many other dainty articles dear to the heart of every woman.

The Christmas table should, of course, be appropriately decorated, and in the glass and cookery departments of the China Emporium you will find a striking variety of dainty cut glass, porcelain and chinaware which will most handsomely grace the Christmas table. For Christmas music, the radio department has a nice range of radio receivers of the Zenith, Fairbanks-Morse, R.C.A. Victor and other makes. In the furnishing department are beautiful carpets at very attractive prices and also suites in the modern bent steel vogue at marvellously low prices.

By now our whiskers are getting ruffled and our legs a bit shaky (don't forget our years!) So we adjourn for the day. We go and refresh ourselves at the Hong Kong Hotel. Somebody proposes a U.S. Beer and we find it very much to our liking. Must make a note of that.

We are looking forward to this evening. Mac who has just come home from leave is a genial and generous host and a good old friend. Our expectation is more than fulfilled. Mac has a lot to tell, and there is that warm atmosphere which one finds among intimate friends sitting with "White Horse Whisky" at their elbow. Soon, (at least it seemed soon, but I notice I've had three already) dinner is announced and we sit down to Mrs. Mac's tastefully decorated table. We eat by lovely candle-light, as it is the vogue to do now in the best London houses. Mrs. Mac tells the wife that the artistic candles are made by the Standard Vacuum Oil Co.

After dinner, with some excellent Hennessy Brandy, we settle down beside Mac's new 1938 Philco and listen to an excellent reception of the Davenry broadcast. Mac is a radio fiend and so proud of his new Philco that he became one of those annoying individuals who want to tune in a new station every minute.

Mrs. Mac is showing the wife her new fur-coat from Henry & Co. and some new hats she has

The next morning we wake in good spirits, shake our flowing whiskers a couple of times (that's our daily dozen) and while tying our best tie (you never know what Father Christmas's whiskers hide) we hear the wife on the phone making an appointment with the Le Beau Beauty Salon. I whistle gaily—the wife is going to look a knock-out on Christmas night.

Off again! We start the day well (I am always for starting the day right)—we are going to Wing On Co. We pass the toy display and are so pleased with the things we see that we must buy some more. There will be no complaints from the small fry. At the wine counter we get McNish Whisky for an old friend who lives in retirement. It is his only pleasure and exercise. We have a busy time at Wing On's. In every department we find something to complete our list. We leave more than satisfied, there is not much more to do and that, too, we shall do from our office by phone.

First we phone to the Optorg Co. When we drink Champagne it is always a festive occasion, but then it must be the best. Gordon Rouge, of course. Another phone to Mustards and we order a new Remington Typewriter. That is a Christmas present for the office.

Now the eldest son is strolling in and I see he has something on his mind. I am right. It's about his Christmas present to his girl friend. My financial help is solicited. I approve of the girl, also of the idea of the present. So another phone to the Scientific Radio Services and give them the O.K. on the Zenith Radio—my son has selected.

Well, I have finished. You can't buy the whole town (though it may seem that I have tried), but still there are many things and places to suggest, which may suit your purpose.

For a miniature Camera enthusiast there is nothing finer than a Leica, the precision miniature Camera—at Schmidt & Co. Another fine present is a Hermes Typewriter. It is something quite out of the ordinary. And don't miss the Sun Co. It is a grand store and you will find many a thing to please people. One of the futures is the attractive manner of display and a really first-class toy department.



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BISHOP VALTORTA'S MESSAGE

IT is difficult, in these days of war and world distress, to pen a message of Christmas peace. Yet such a message was never more necessary than to-day, when the old loyalties are being abandoned, and the powers of evil growing more reckless and unshamed, and the eternal warfare of the spirit, the fight between good and evil, being waged upon an unprecedented scale. I would remind all my readers, as I have so often reminded those of my own flock, that the greatest work which they can do at present for the world, for justice and for peace, is the fashioning of their own souls.

China is fighting to-day for her very existence as a nation. Other countries have, as China has, great and lovely buildings, wide and fertile fields, mountains full of undreamed-of riches; but these things are not China. That which is great and precious in China are the few simple virtues upon which her culture and her civilisation rest: the patience, the industry, the kindness, the love of home, the self-respect, which were the treasured ideals of her fathers. These things remain, and will remain long after the present conflict has burned itself out, and a newer China is rising on the ruins of the old. It is to those years of the future that we who love China look for the fruits of our labours to-day. We seek to bring the peace of Christ into the kingdom of Christ. We wish to give to-day, our every effort for this great cause; our diligence, our enthusiasm, our quiet zeal, our restraining tolerance, our love of truth. We offer to-day the old gifts of the old China, together with our Western faith and hope and love—the gifts of Christmas—knowing that we have no other gifts to offer which can equal these. It is for the men of to-day to build these

A WORD TO THE LONELY

TO all the lonely people in Hong Kong: our kindest sympathies and truest wishes go out to you because loneliness is such a terrible experience to have to suffer at Christmastide.

If you are lonely because you are an exile from home and friends, or lonely because you are altogether homeless, we wish for you that you may find a home in the heart of someone who will love you.

If you are lonely though surrounded by friendly people, lonely because you want a kind of friendship which no one offers to you, our wish for you is that you may discover the understanding which you seek, and if you will forgive me a suggestion, perhaps you will find that friendship in some one whom at present you may disparage.

But perhaps you are lonely because you are unloved by someone whom you cherish—a very bitter experience—our wish for you is that this Christmastide may bring you knowledge of an even greater love than you have ever imagined. And if you are lonely because you have lost the dearest friend you have ever had, because we cannot wish that you will find someone to take their place, we do wish that you may enter more deeply than ever before into the eternal meaning of Christmas—into the knowledge that the heart of the universe is the heart of God, and that death can bring us nearer to the mystery of His heart's love than anything else we can ever experience.

So if you are lonely for any reason whatever, will you please believe that we are thinking of you, and wishing for you a truly happy Christmas.

J. D. MACLEAN.

Kowloon Union Church.

things deeply into their minds and hearts, that they may be men of honour and of principle, men of justice, of civic pride, of full integrity, upon whom this and world can rely with confidence during the years of poverty and reconstruction which must precede the dawn.

Christmas Messages From The Churches

FATHER RYAN'S MESSAGE

THIS is a sad Christmas. Here in Hong Kong the minds of many will go back over twenty years to another war-time Christmas. Then one tried to put away thoughts of war for a time and think only of Christmas—it was due to those who fought; it was due to ourselves. If we were to salvage something of our hopes; it was due to the holy time, and somehow then, though everyone tried to be gay and forget, they became wistful and remembered . . . peace . . . goodwill . . . And looking back now it seems a pitiful mistake that the guns should ever have spoken again after the Christmas pause.

This time it is different: we cannot forget war for a time, because it is not in our hands to halt it. Our friends are suffering, it seems like inhumanity to rejoice; in this season of brotherhood we shall feel more deeply and sympathise the more. Yet "we have seen His star in the East", out of all this woe there is a hope rising, faint as yet, but who can tell what it may portend? It is the new kinship that we of the West feel for the suffering people of China. Barriers of ages have fallen in a few months. For a century Hong Kong has been little more than a place of contact for the East and the West—it took the agony of a bleeding China to make it a place of union. When much that seems of mighty importance now has been long forgotten, that may be remembered. It may be the biggest hope that the hope-starved world holds to-day. Our Christmas message of 1937 is a salute to this rising star. May the new sympathy and understanding between China and the West that have arisen out of suffering become enduring by a continuance of the atmosphere of Christmas—peace and goodwill!

THOS. F. RYAN, S.J.,
Editor, "The Rock".

"Once Again The Call Comes Sounding Into Our Hearts"

WE are on the threshold of another Christmas and in the name of the English Methodist Church, and of the "Sailors' & Soldiers' Home" I pass on, with warmth and sincerity, the "Compliments of the Season" to all the people of Hong Kong.

It is surely significant that for centuries the imagination of the world has played about the manger in a courtyard of an eastern inn, with shepherds keeping a night watch over their flocks in the fields near by.

This simple theme has attracted the attention of the genius of the ages. It has inspired some of our finest art; created some of the most charming legends; masterpieces of music owe their origin to it; all our carols have been written. Nor is that all, for this theme has cast a universal spell over mankind, and down the ages men and women of every station have worshipped joyfully at this shrine. And during this holy season universal homage will again be paid to the Child King who was born in a rude stable so long ago.

All this suggests with crystal clearness that the birth at Bethlehem was an event of extraordinary importance. It was so heralded from the beginning, that obviously its significance was not to be missed. It is true that the Manner of His coming was the very opposite of all popular and confident expectation; and the Purpose of His coming also conflicted with Jewish notions of what the Messiah would do.

Yet, surely He came with the very message and programme the world needed most.

The old order was played out. Nothing less than the coming to birth of a New Spirit and a New

Outlook could save the situation. There was desperate need of a New Invasion of God into the world and into the hearts of men.

And the significance of Christ's coming centres in this—that in Him—God did come into the world, and to all mankind.

That is why the event at Bethlehem is the greatest event of human history.

But all that happened over two thousand years ago. Has Christmas any message or meaning for us in 1937? Or is it all just a beautiful legend—very fascinating—but empty as a bubble.

There are those who quote the Angel's Song and then point to the present situation and say "Christianity doesn't seem to have done very much, peace and Goodwill are not very apparent."

It is very easy to play that role, but rather unworthy and cheap.

History gives a very effective answer to all questions about the achievement of Christianity and the authority of Christ. Nineteen hundred years after His death, Lecky, the great historian could say concerning Jesus.

"The simple record of three short years of active life has done more to regenerate and soften mankind than all the proposals of the Philosophers and all the musings of the Moralists."

And it is simply sober truth to insist that the Christmas message means everything to OUR WORLD; JUST NOW.

It is the one element of hope. The present situation, with its horrors and unspeakable tragedies, is emphasising with

relentless force, that the world still needs to pursue that ideal of universal peace and brotherhood, and oneness which came with Jesus Christ; that it cannot continue without that spirit of Goodwill, which only Christ can create in the hearts of men of all nations.

Every year Christmas comes to remind us what foolish people we are. Nineteen Hundred and Thirty Seven years are advertising the great wisdom that Love is better than hate. That Love alone is effective and lasting. That forgiveness is better than harbouring grudges; that cheerfulness is better than gloom. And above all, that the children are the most important people in the world.

Let us pray that, in a special sense this year, the Peoples of the world will have listening ears and understanding hearts.

Long ago the shepherds said, "Let us go even now unto Bethlehem and see this thing which has come to pass."

It is the only way, either for men or for nations. But when are we going to respond to this inspiring challenge, for the world has never been to Bethlehem yet.

Once again the call comes sounding into our hearts, "Let us go even unto Bethlehem."

Forward to Bethlehem; to learn that God is Father; that men are brothers; that love is the master motive of life, and the only method of our doing.

Forward to Bethlehem, to hear its message and translate it into the life of to-day. To catch its spirit and spread it abroad, until peace shall reign, and men become brothers, and the whole world is a family of God.

J. ERNEST SANDBACH.

THE PEACE OF CHRISTMAS

THAT night there was great movement in the inns of Bethlehem: the world was stirring through "a decree from Caesar Augustus that the world should be enrolled." The movement was a noisy one. The way of the world is noisy; cruelly noisy in war, boisterously or hilariously noisy in peace. The noise of the world is heavy with sorrow or lightened, for a moment, with pleasure but it is a stranger to happiness, so it cannot be toned down to the music of peace. Hence it came to pass that on that night—Christmas night—the Prince of Peace arriving in a World which knew Him not "was laid in a manger; because there was no room for them—the Queen, of Peace and the Giver of Peace—in the inn."

THE GREATER APOSTACY

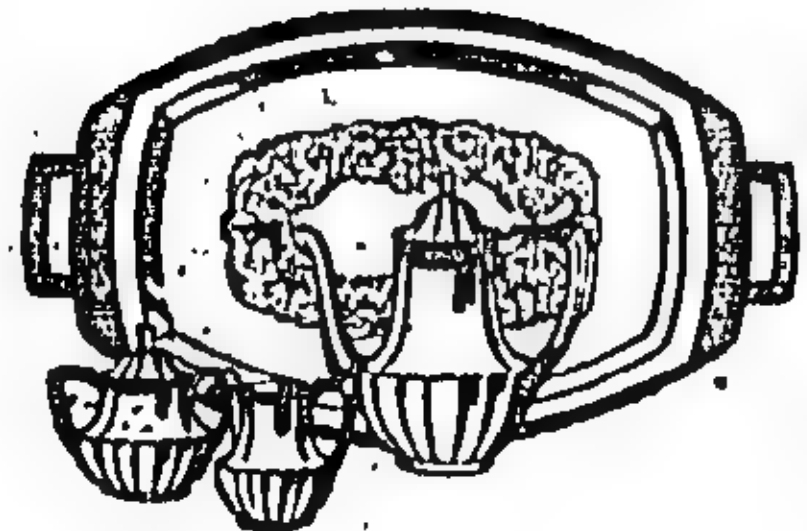
How could there be room for Him in the inn? We have reason to think that that night; the night of the 'Star of Bethlehem', was a clear night; but we have no reason for thinking that the atmosphere of the inn was a hallowed atmosphere. Does not the prophet Isaiah utter the divine lament; "I have brought up children . . . but they despised me. The ox knoweth his owner and the ass his master's crib: but Israel hath not known me and my people hath not understood." So has tradition always introduced the ox and the ass as if to remind us that, when He came, the dumb creatures, the star and the animal world, paid tribute to the Creator, but His people hath not understood. It was the great apostacy. He came to triumph over the apostacy of sin and indifference by a divinely-human consecration of devotedness and love: out of devotedness springs unselfishness, out of love blossoms peace. That night was sung a new song on

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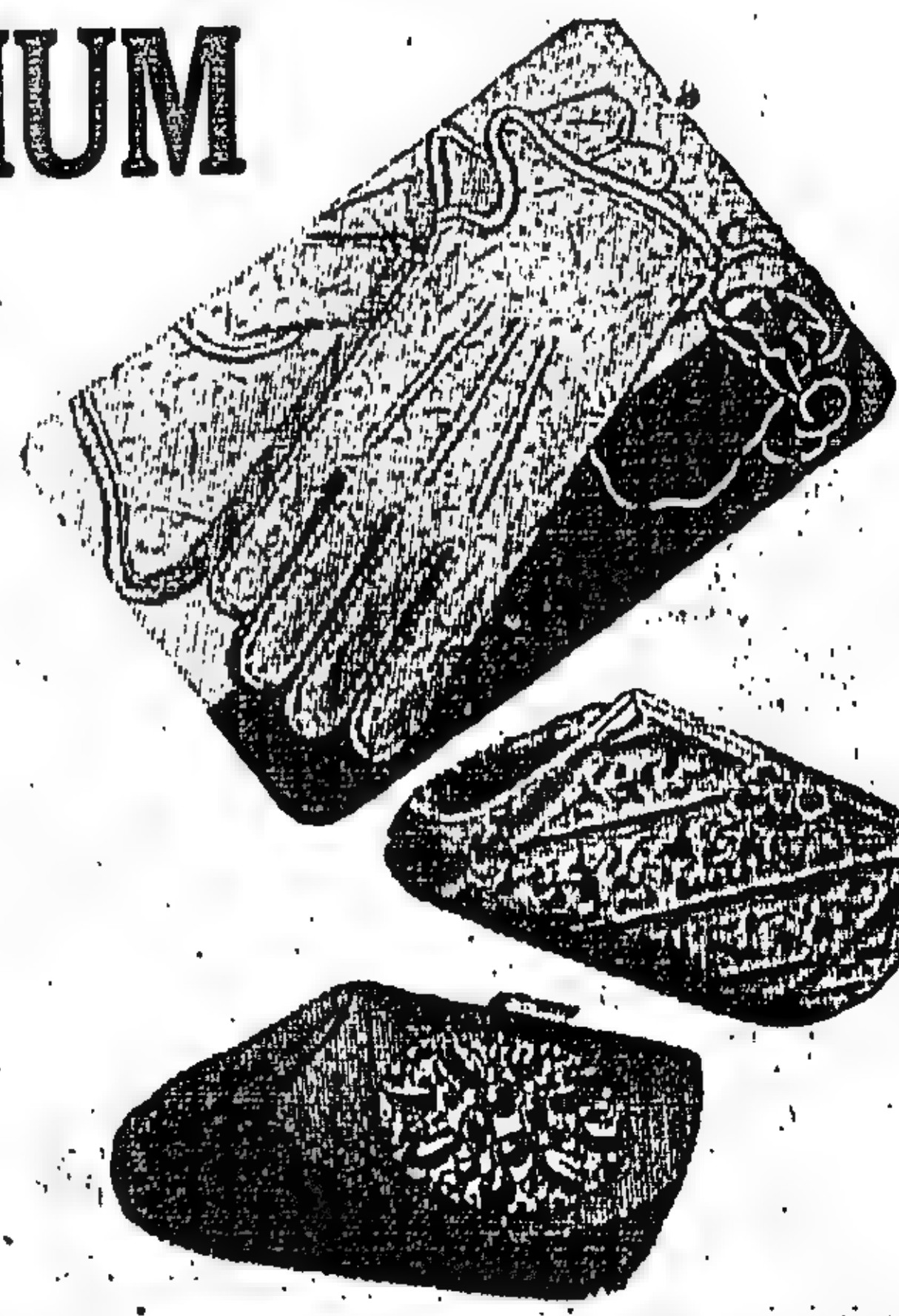
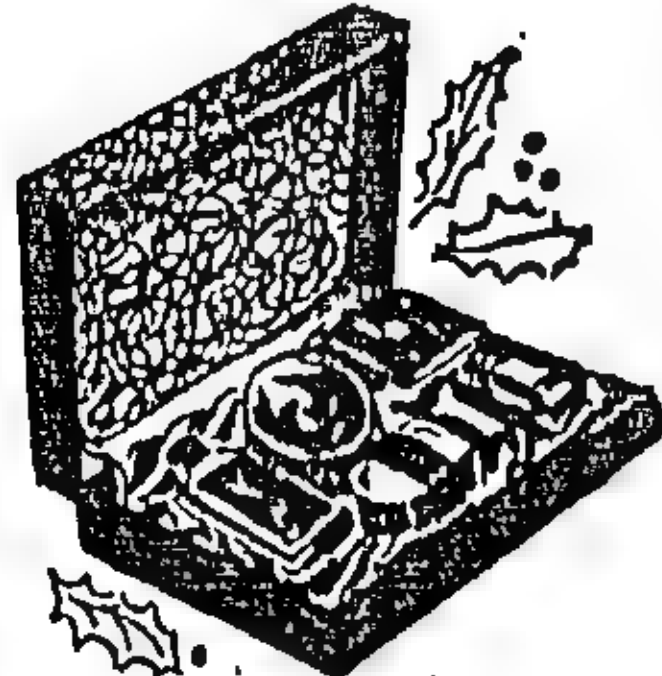


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EDDIE CANTOR AS ALI BABA

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Among the highlights are Eddie aboard the Magic Carpet dispersing the enemy's army; the sumptuous colourful Bagdad banquet with Eddie as master of ceremonies; the Magic Carpet campaign and election returns in Bagdad; the Queen of the Harem, Louise Hovick, making love to banjo-eyed Eddie; and hit-tunes by Mack Gordon and Harry Revel.



Fun-making EDDIE CANTOR is shown above surrounded by TONY MARTIN (lower left), ROLAND YOUNG (lower right), JUNE LANG (upper left) and LOUISE HOVICK (upper right) in a scene from "Ali Baba Goes to Town," mirth-musical produced by hit-making Twentieth Century-Fox.

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A singing ensemble from "Varsity Show" at the Queen's Theatre for the Christmas season.

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Helen Vinson contributes complications as Baxter's extravagant, stung-struck wife; Cowan is seen as her angel-hunting manager; Mowbray plays the fifted millionaire who tries to put Baxter out of business by backing Mischa Auer, playing an impecunious Russian prince, in a rival fashion house.

The production has already proved itself one of the biggest successes of the year.



Warner Baxter and Joan Bennett in "Vogues of 1938."

After a long succession of villainous characters on the screen, Basil Rathbone plays his first truly romantic film part in the new Bobby Breen's film, "Make a Wish," which will provide Christmas entertainment at the Alhambra.

The boy tenor, if possible, is better than ever in this, his third picture.

The story of "Make a Wish" finds Bobby at the boys' camp where he makes the acquaintance of Rathbone, a composer of operettas who is staying at his nearby lodge. Through Bobby, the musician acquires a very personal interest in the lad's young mother, former singing star of the stage.

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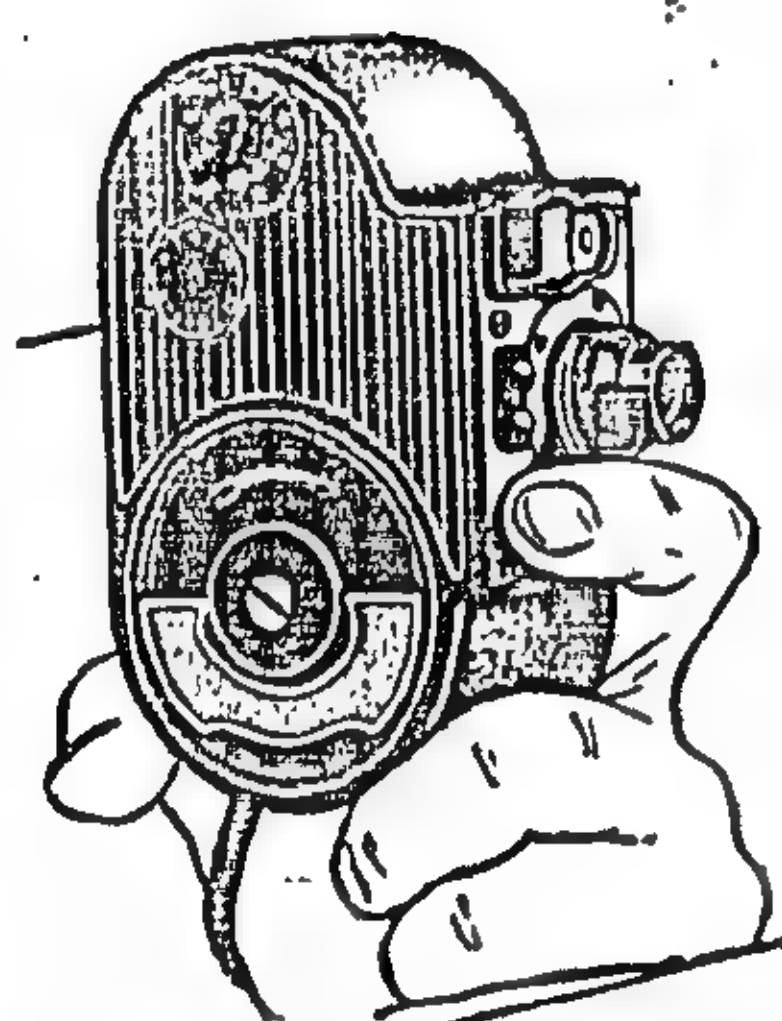
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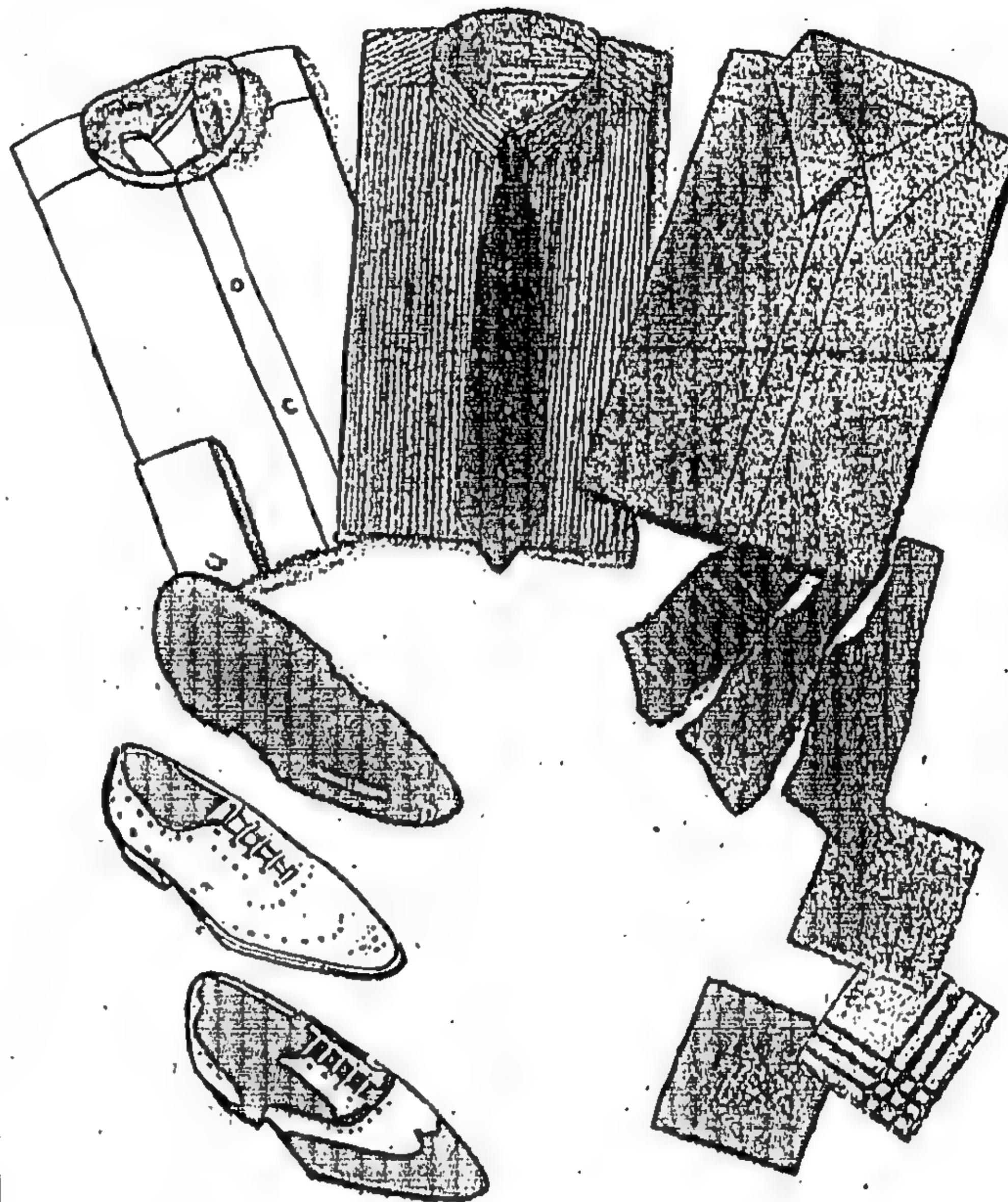
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A page for wives

THIS is necessarily a page for wives because, nowadays, the husbands who do not rely upon the good taste of their womenfolk to guide them in the matter of clothes are rare. Moreover, at Christmas, the others cannot very well help themselves.

THE conservative man will not be troubled by fashion changes in dress, for no startling innovations will appear this season. There will be minor alterations in styles and materials, however.

In London, the double-breasted lounge suit is being worn extensively. The pendulum of lounge suit fashion is swinging towards the double-breasted version, and most of the new season's suits will be finished in this style.



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SPORTS shirts are striped, and the one illustrated has a wide ground. The hat (top, right) is wider than usual. Wider hats are in vogue. In the centre, the shirts are broadcloth, and the socks like and hand-knitted wool. There are outspoken ties in twill and foulard.



SHIRTS, TIES, SOCKS

IT is impossible to lay down hard and fast rules concerning the right colours of the shirts and ties and socks to be worn with suit materials. Men who have a preference for brightness will wear a wine-red tie with a grey striped suit. A suggestion of the same colour will appear in the shirt and socks.

Shirts are available in a wide range of soft blue striped designs.

Plain white shirts are always smart, and they will be popular.

POINTS ABOUT THE LATEST TRENDS

FASHION has decreed that, in neckwear, bright colours will predominate. There are miniature herringbone, crow's feet, and broken twill patterns. Variations in the standard striped design consist of broken stripes, zigzags, and ombre effects.

Socks are being produced in fairly large check designs. Blue again is the favourite colour.

Brogue shoes are returning to people who have a reputation for moving with the times, brogues will be worn this summer. Shoes of brown suede are also

recommended to men who dress correctly. They are popular in Great Britain and in America. There seems to be no diminution in the number of youths and men who do not wear hats. A world traveller said recently that he saw more hatless men in Hong Kong than in any other city in the Empire. This is to be deplored, for a hat gives a finished air to good clothes, and no man is correctly dressed without one.

Lightweight felts in the semi-pork shape are the hats which those who assume the mantle of style among the younger men will wear. Grey will be principal colour.



COLOUR, THE FEATURE OF SPORTSWEAR

Sports clothes, of the sober variety, are going to be worn to office by an increasing number of men. Brown and blue sports coats, striped shirts, and grey trousers will comprise the outfit.

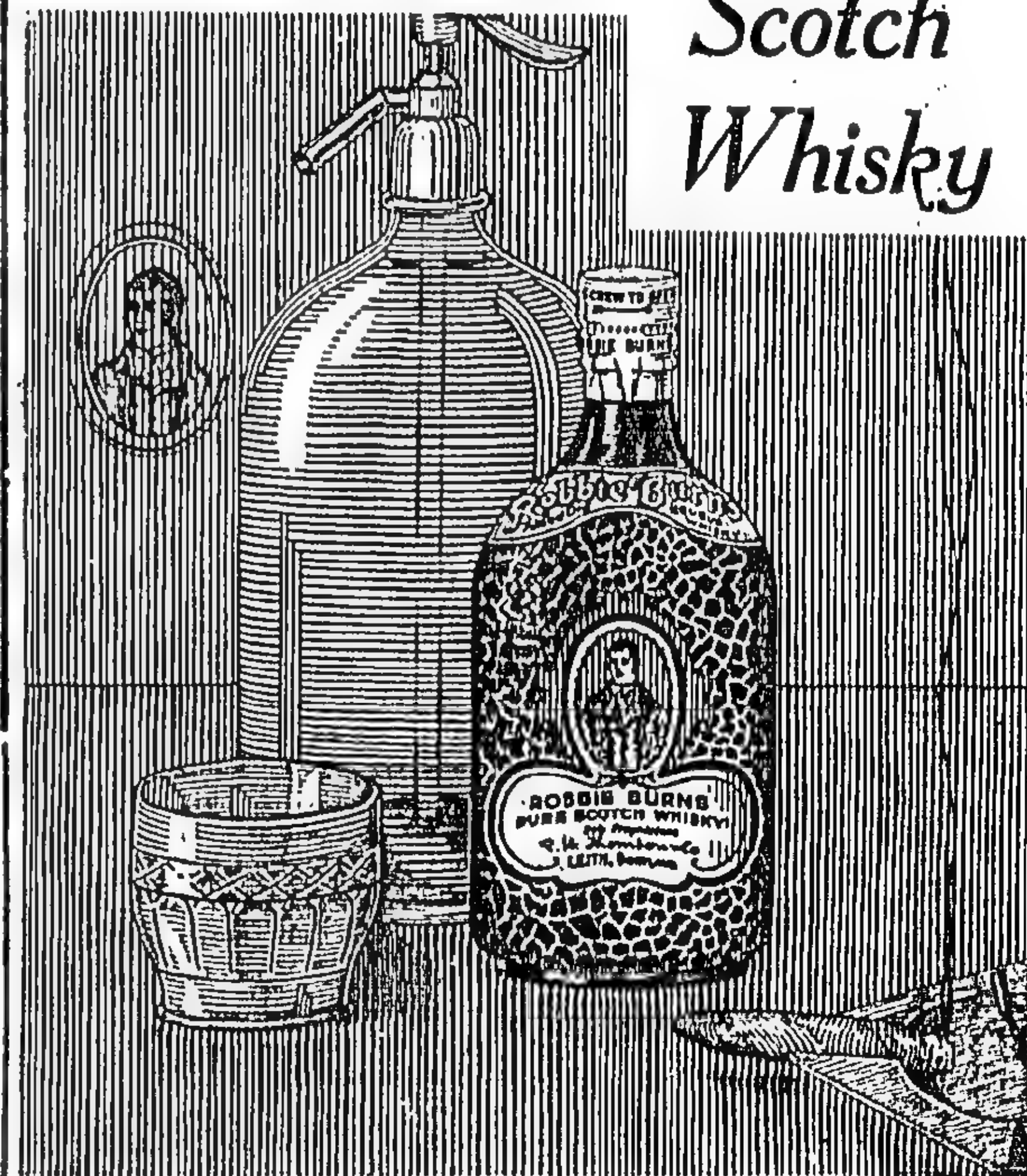
Provided the colour combinations are carefully chosen, a sports suit possesses a certain air of formality. A sports outfit, too, always looks cool, which is another point in its favour. The first essential of sports

clothes, considered simply as sports clothes, is that they should have a certain free and easy comfort in their make-up. At the same time, the second important ingredient must not be overlooked. As far as possible, they must blend with their background.

Shirts finished in the plain colours of blue, larger brown, and green are correct. Linen ties in shades appropriate to the rest of the outfit will be worn.

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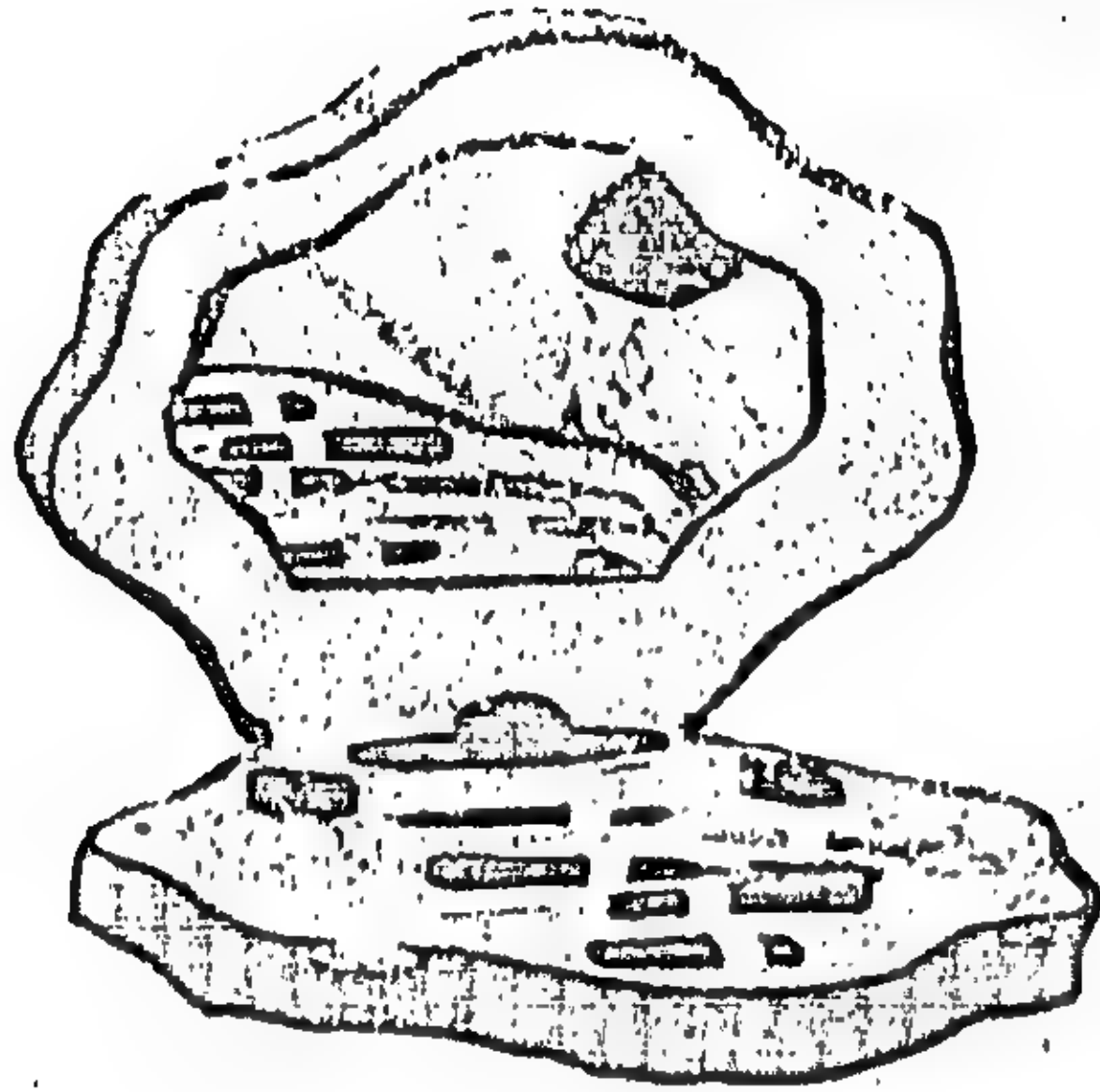
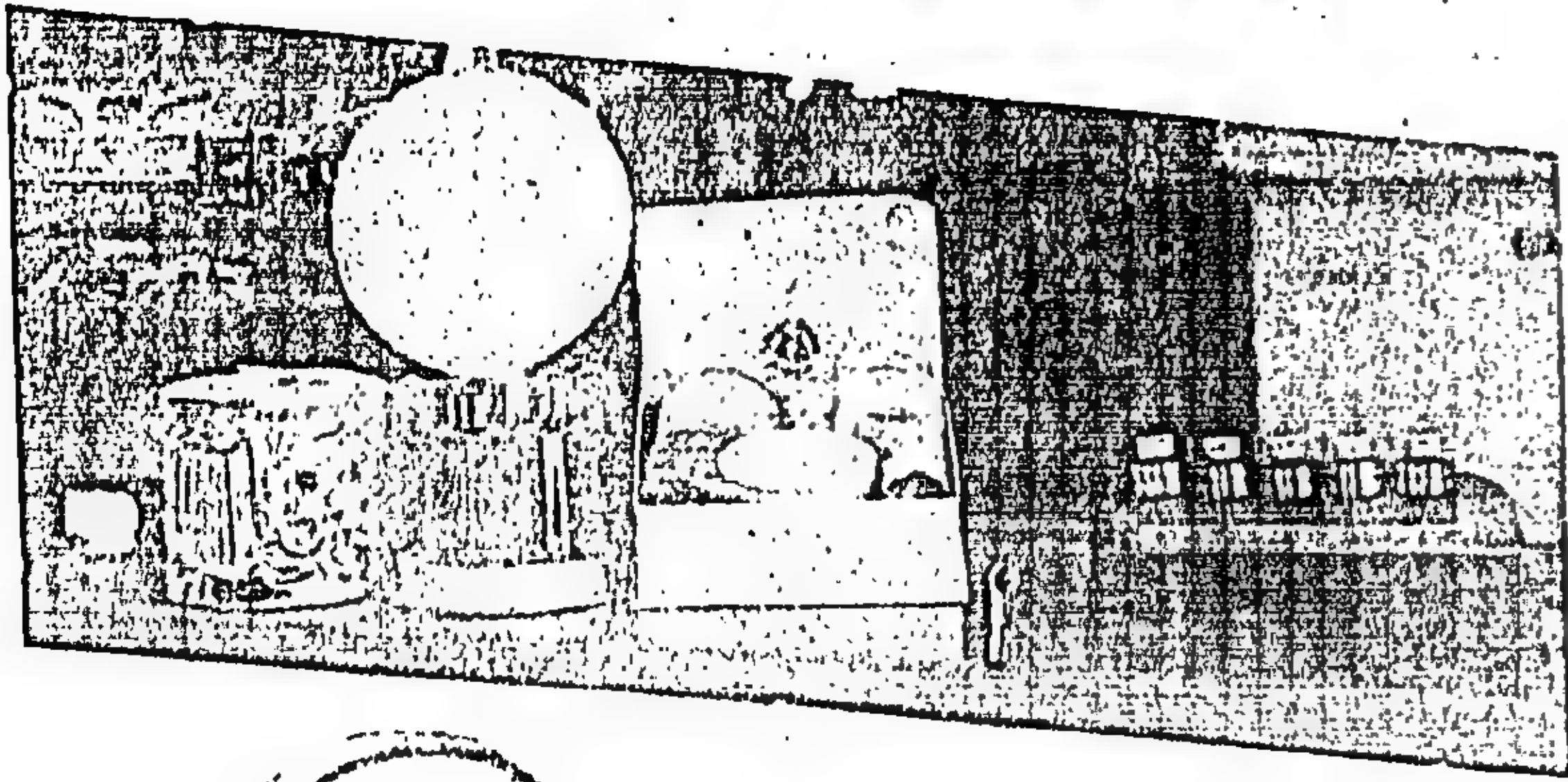
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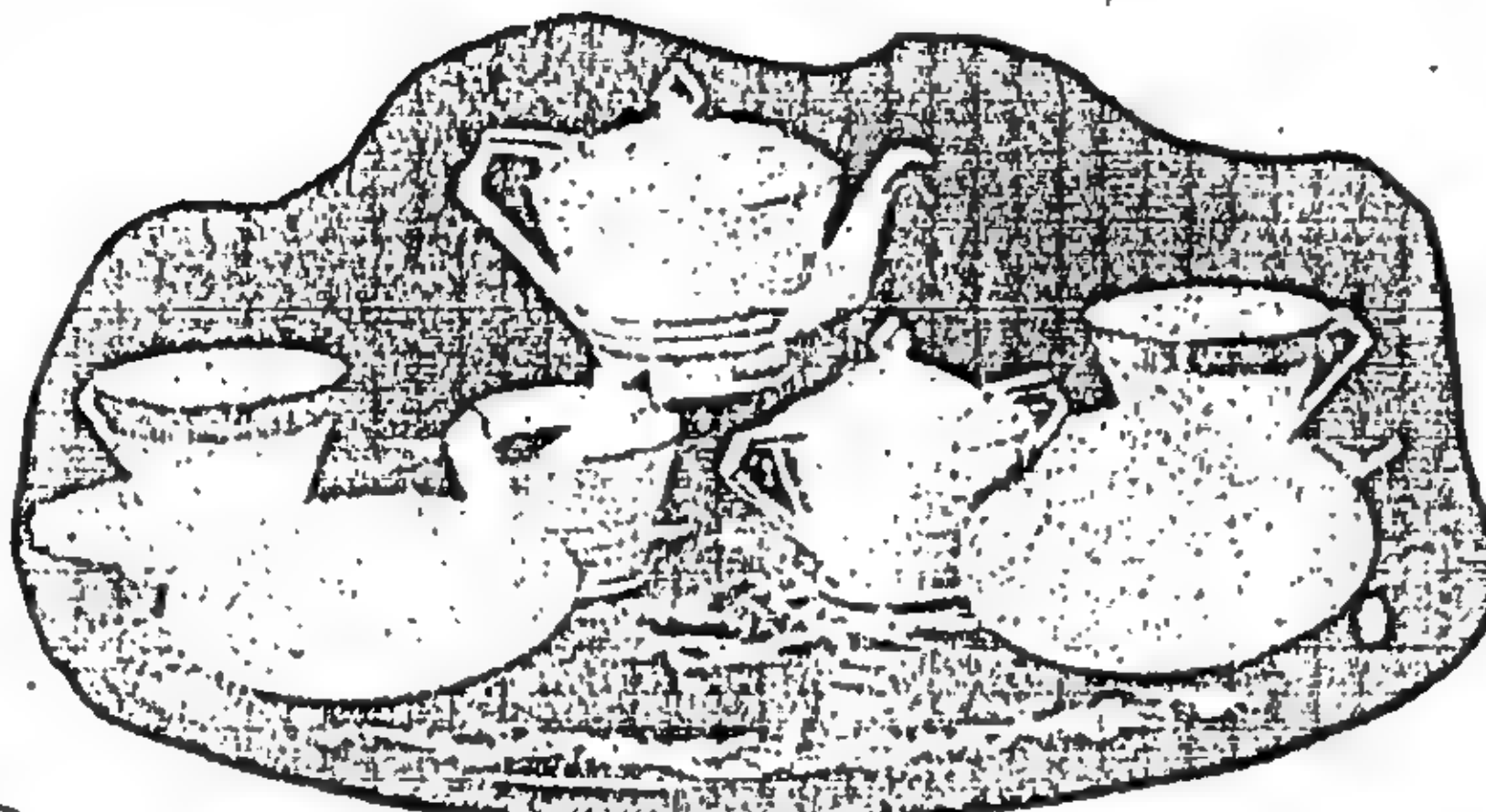
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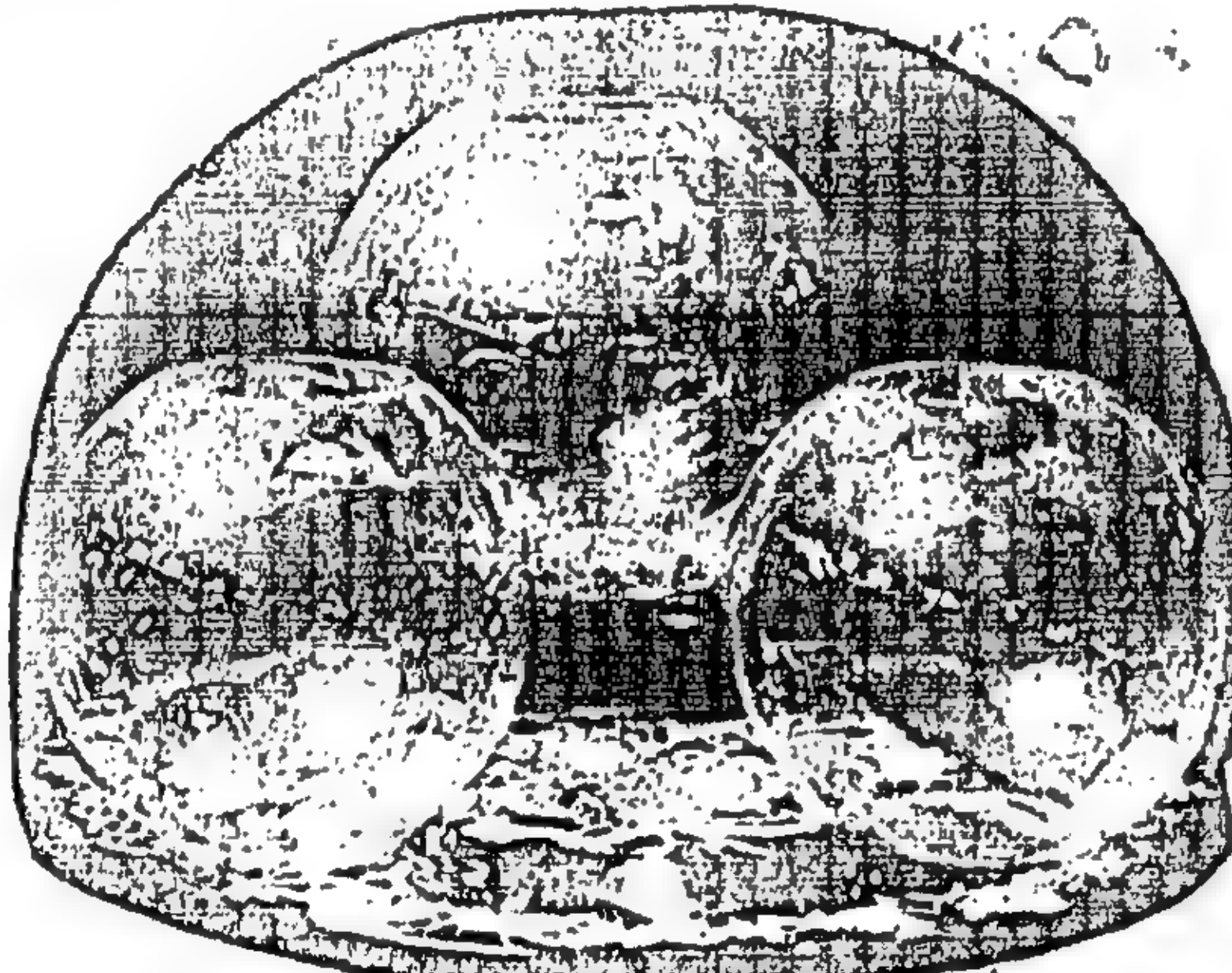
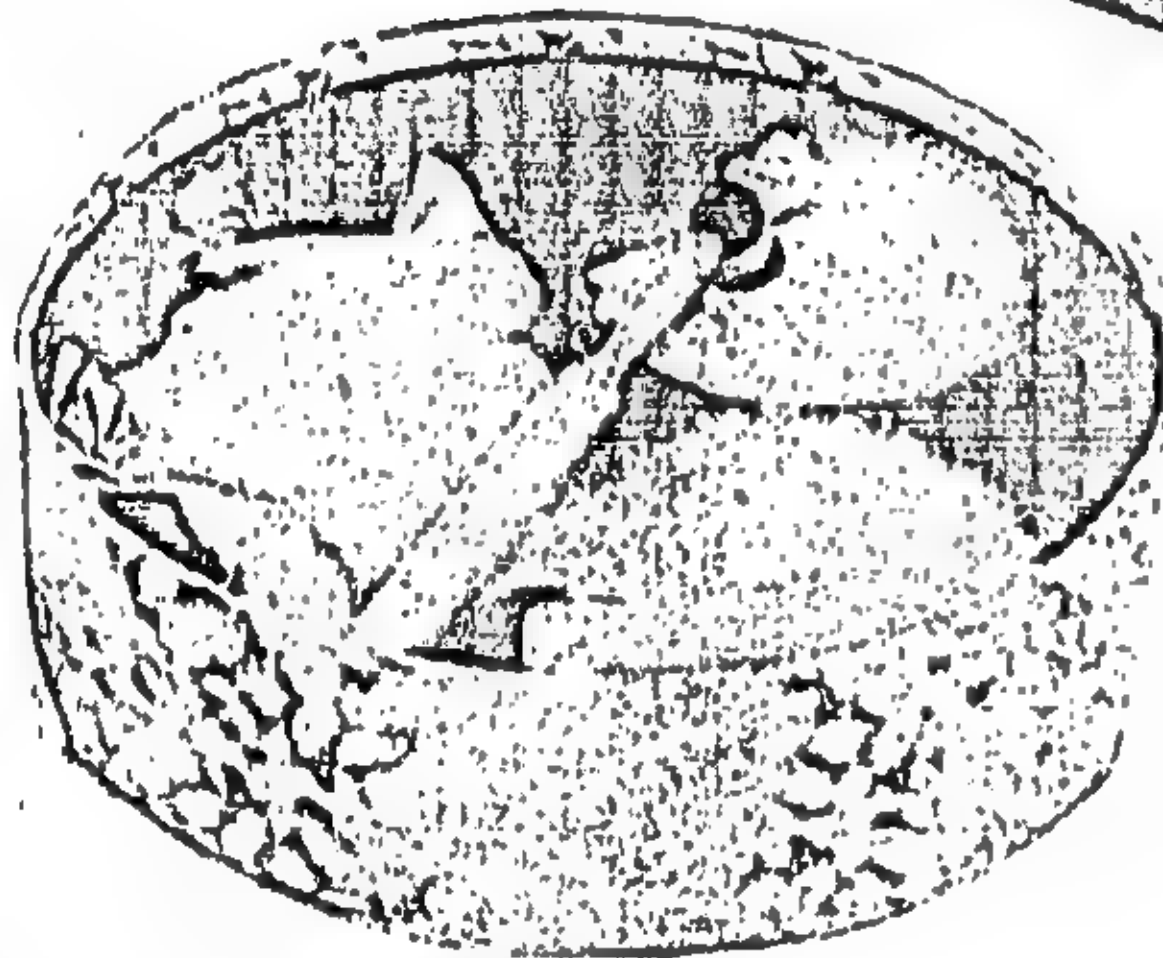
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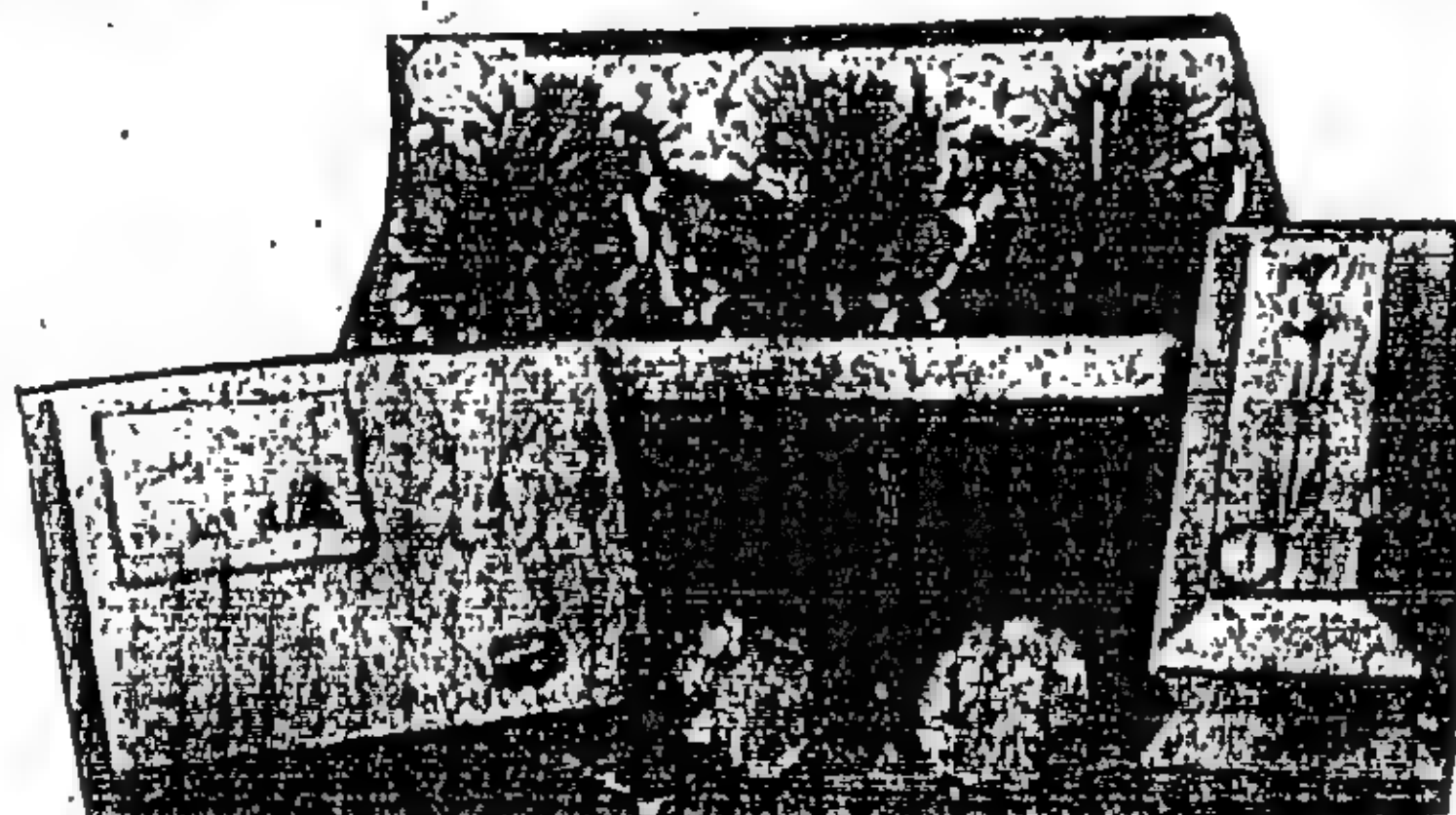
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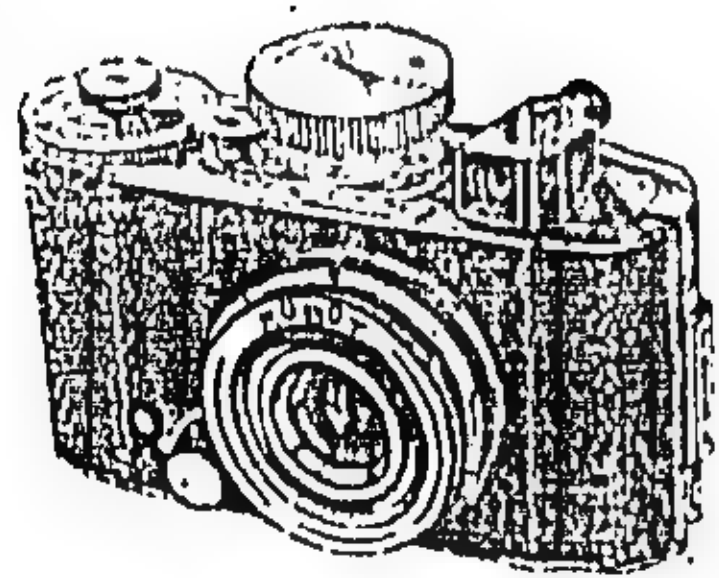
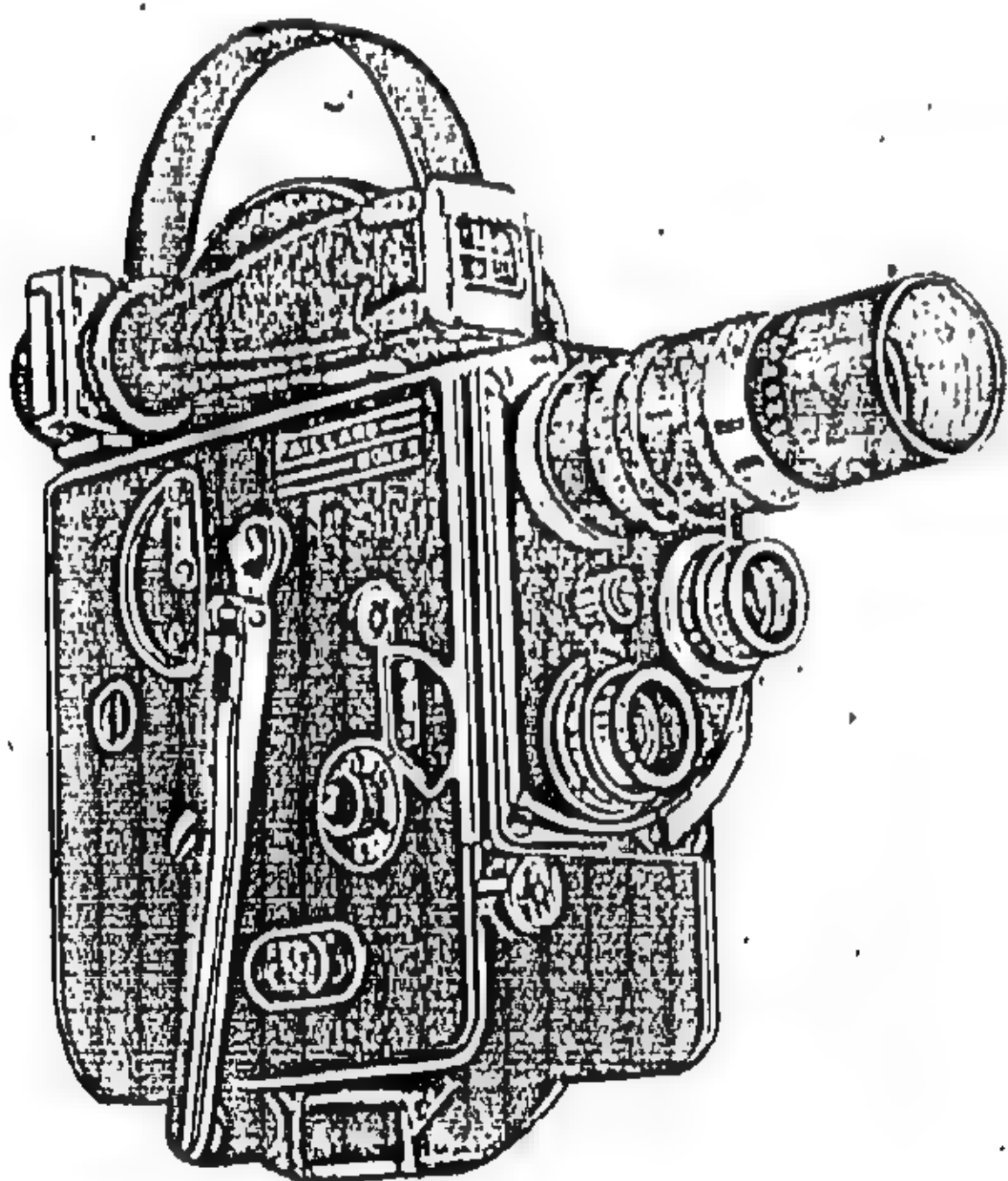


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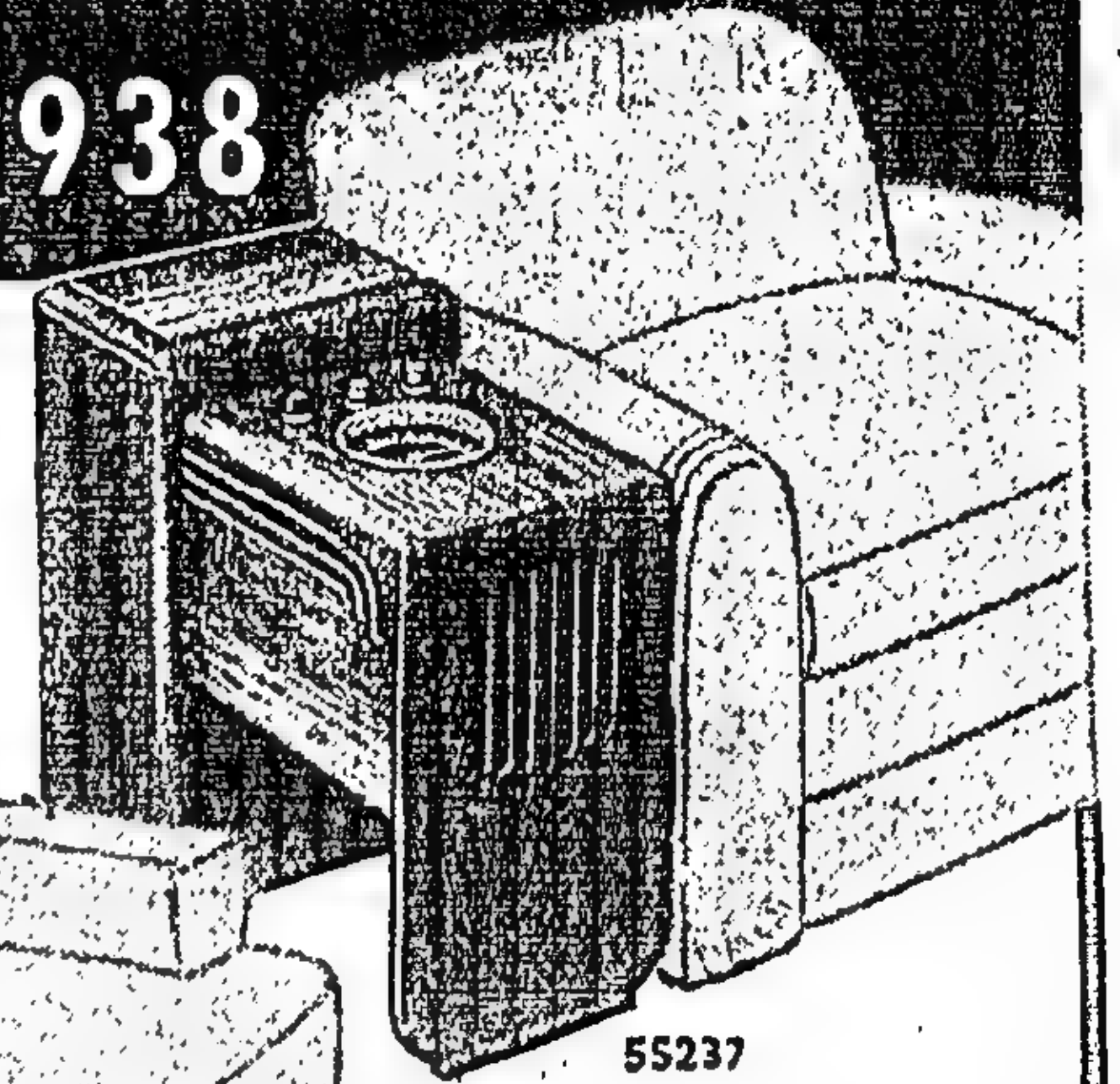
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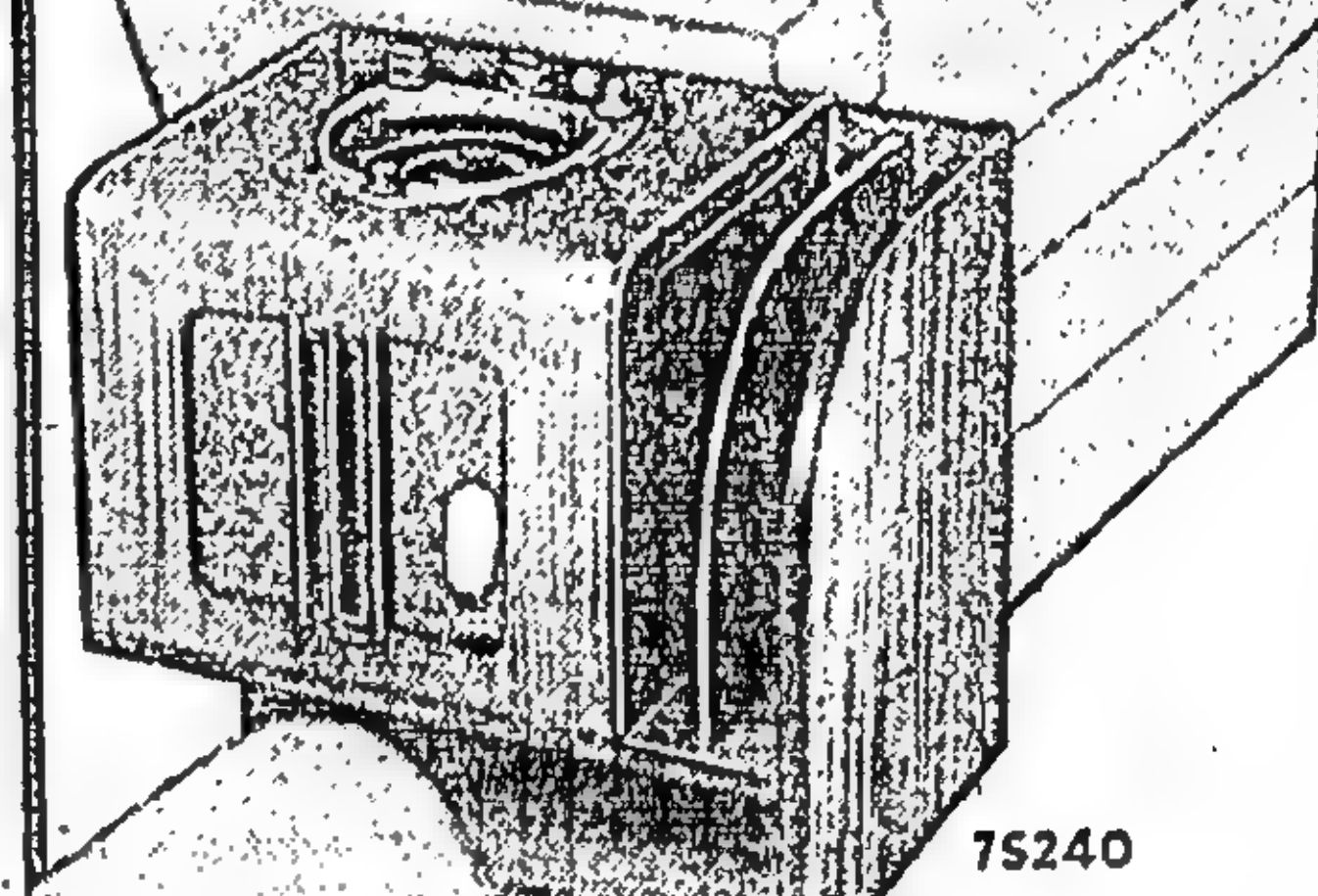
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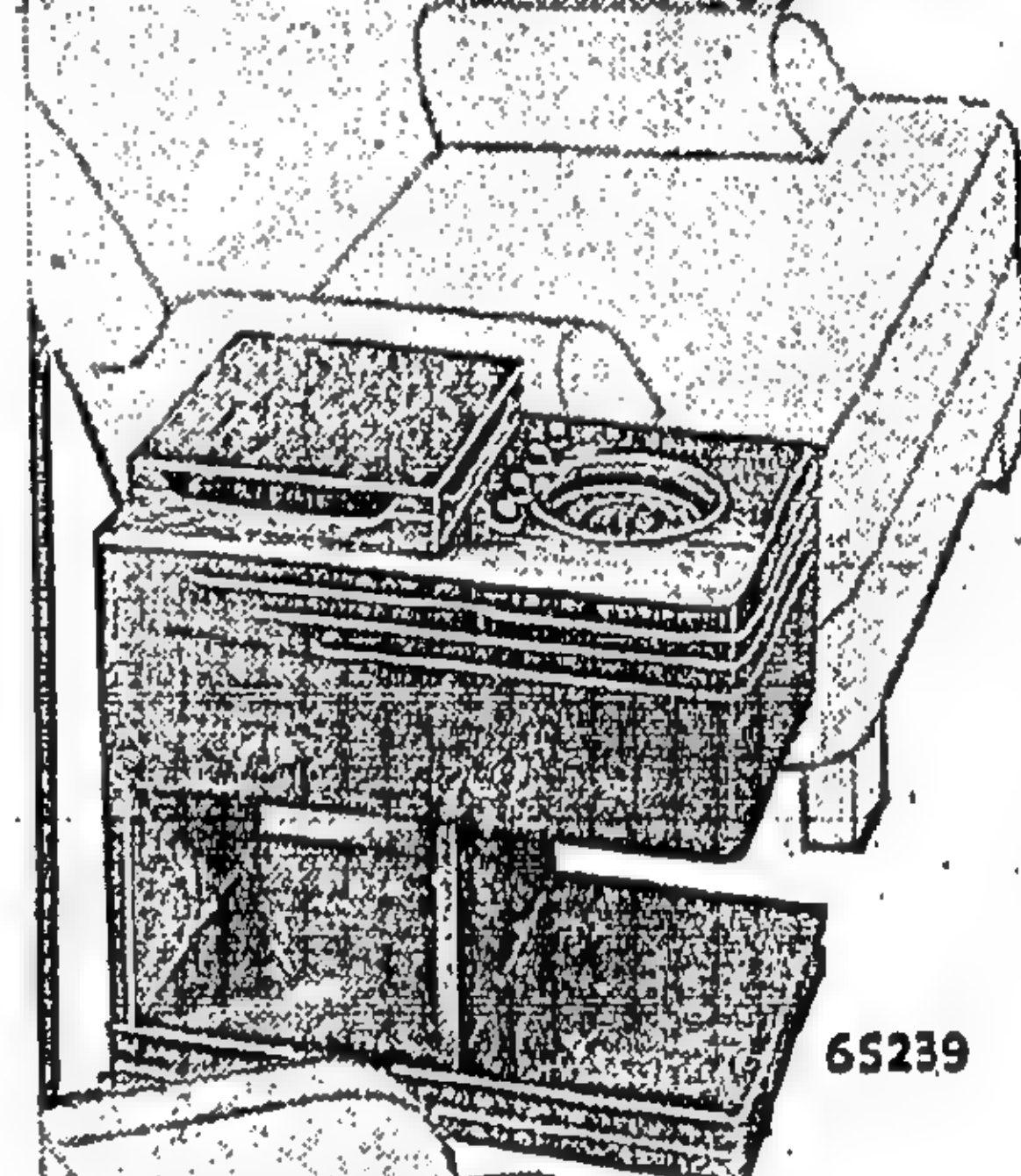
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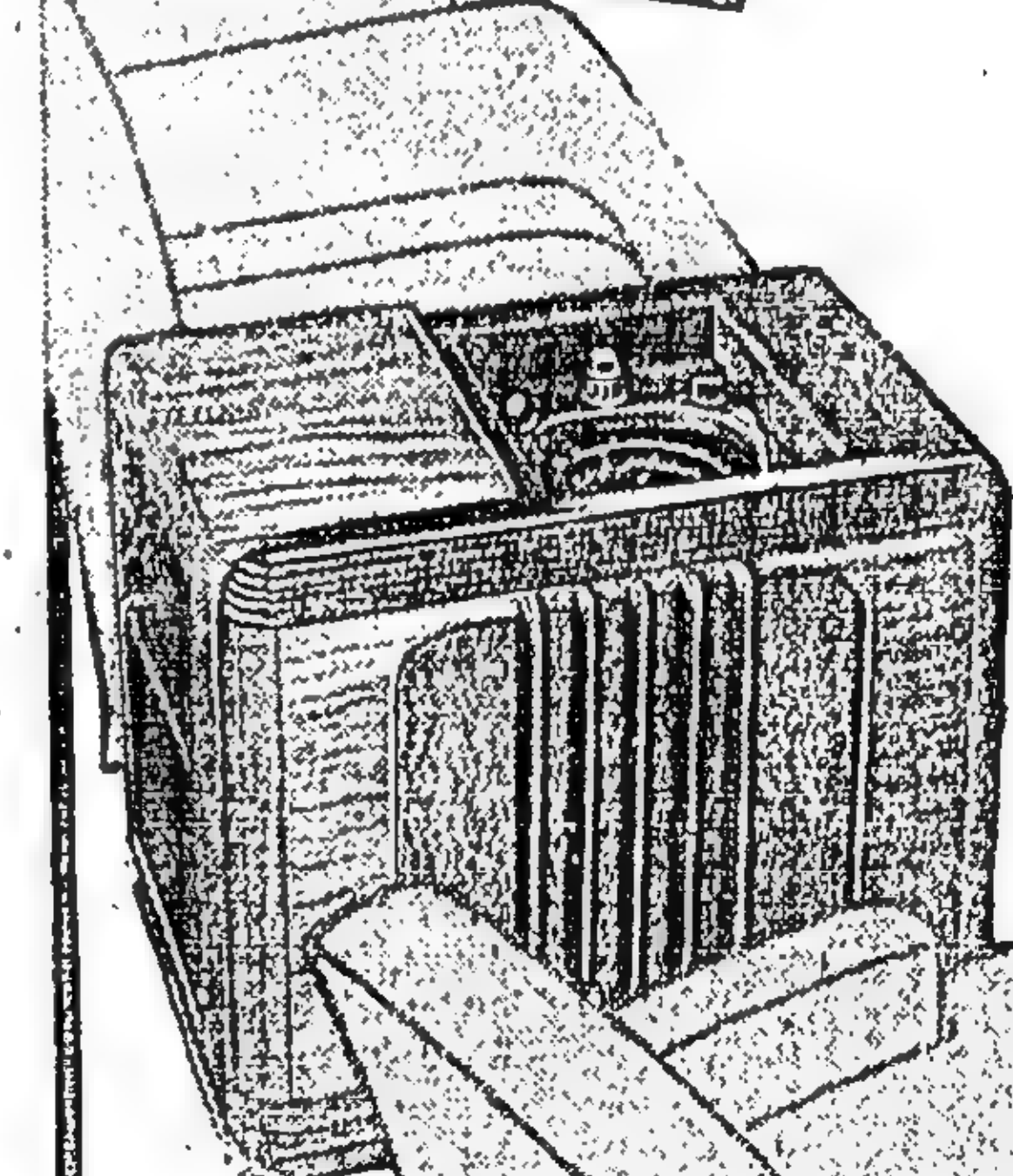
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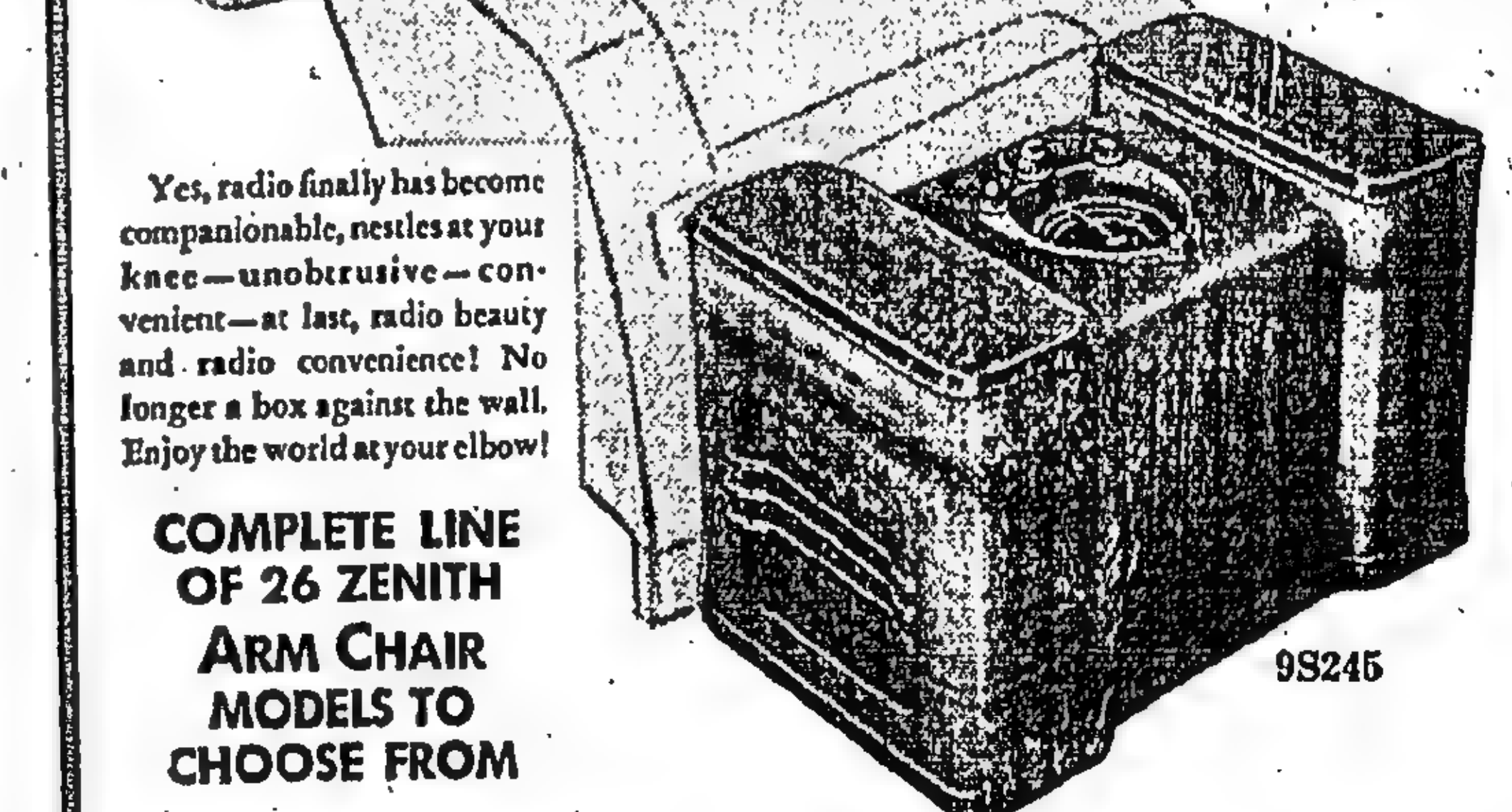
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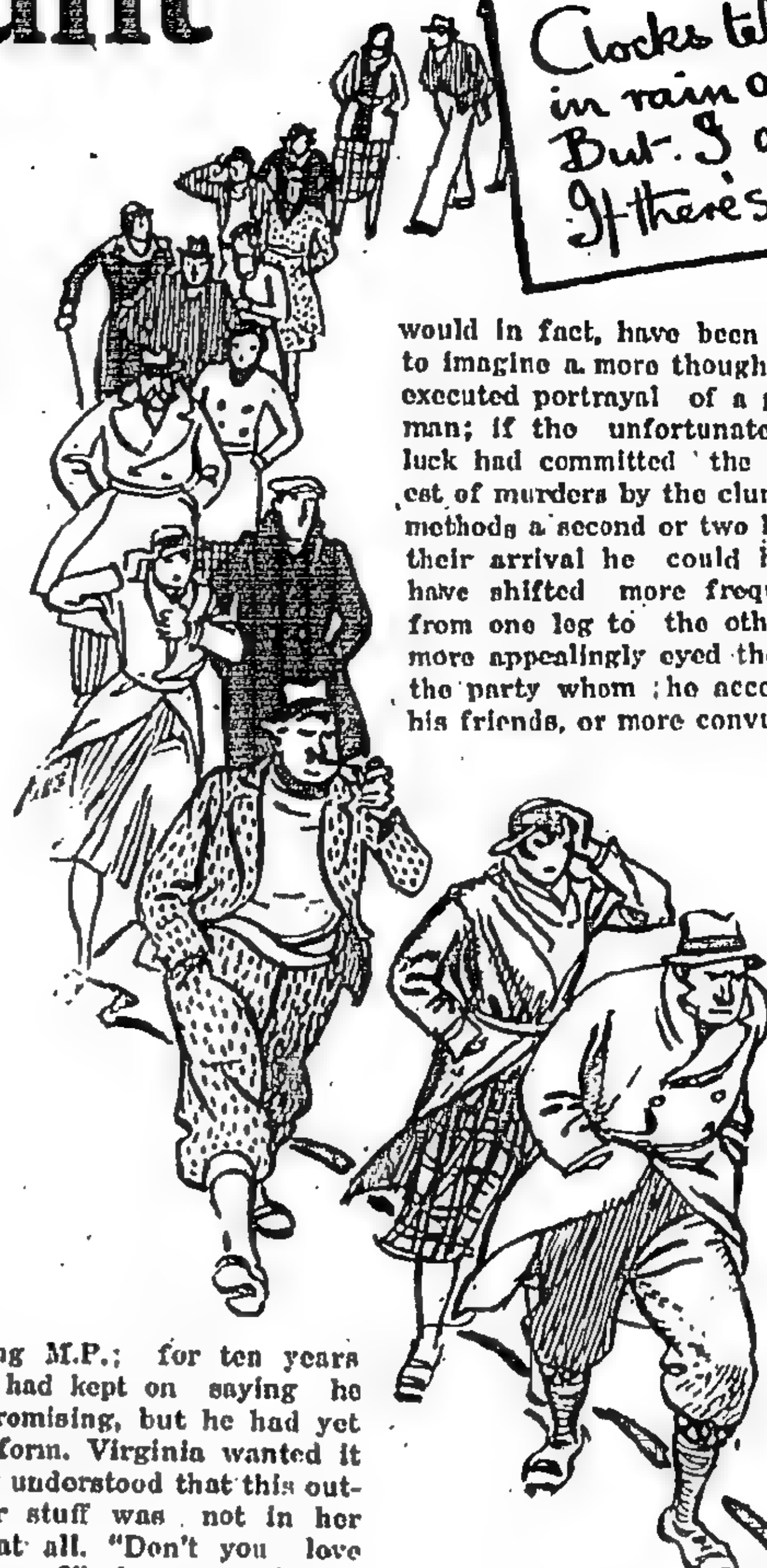
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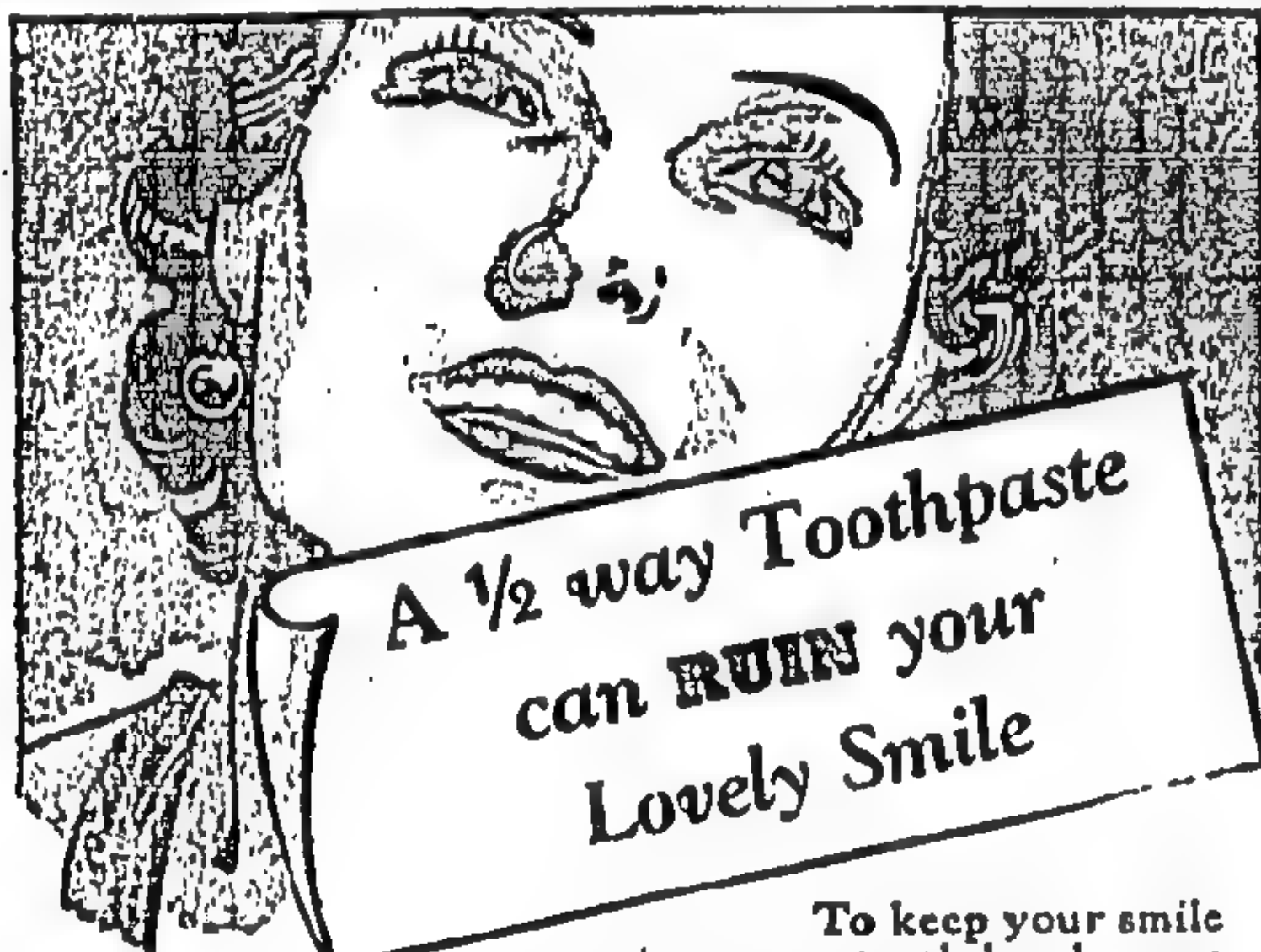
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"GOOD MORNING, everybody!" cried Lady Leatherhead, shutting the door with that arch benignity which characterized most of her actions. "I'm afraid I was wrong about the weather."

Rain lashed the windows. The tall but sturdy yew hedge at the bottom of the garden quivered with an irritation which had its roots in alarm. On the hill opposite the house a field of standing corn stood no longer, but lay in damp, untidy swathes. The potting-shed had lost its chimney. It was the last week in July.

"Will you put it off," asked Major Tiler, greatly daring. He was an old friend of the family. "Put it off?" repeated Lady Leatherhead incredulously, ringing for more hot milk. "But this is just the weather for a Treasure Hunt!" Her voice had that formidable cooling note so dreaded by friend and enemy alike.

"Rather," cried Miss Buxter. She had always been known for a jolly girl, and though her girlhood was on the wane she was as full of fun as ever, rather fuller if anything.

"I should just say it was," agreed Mr. Ruak, in the kind of modulated shout in which all his enthusiasms were expressed. He beamed gaily at the streaming window-panes. It was the first time he had been asked to the house, and it was the opinion of his fellow-guests that he would be lucky if he was asked again; he tried too hard.

Lady Leatherhead sat down at the head of the table and began to spread gooseberry jam on one of those pockmarked wafers, known as Swedish Bread, which combine with the plays of Ibsen to produce in the mind of the average Englishman so cheerless an impression of Scandinavian homelife.

"We start at eleven," she announced, sweeping the assembly with a glance reminiscent of a temporarily well-disposed basilisk.

Eleven o'clock found the house-party rallied in the hall. Their mackintoshes rustled nervously. They grumbled to each other in whispers. Even the hardest were wishing they had brought thicker shoes; the less resolute weighed the respective advantages of a head, which might be alleged to ache then and there, and an ankle, which might be supposedly twisted as soon as the hunt began. One and all felt intolerably put upon, and looked extremely unhappy.

Lady Leatherhead appeared on the staircase, a commanding figure if ever there was one. She came to them fresh and fiery from an argument with Harold. Harold was writing a novel about middle-class life; as he knew very little about life, and nothing at all about the middle classes, it did not look like being an outstandingly good novel. But experience had taught him that the Muse makes an admirable guardian angel and entitles you to use the word "fritter" when speaking of organised amusements in which you have no wish to take part.

Where do you suppose Chauver would have been," he asked his mother, "if he'd spent half his time Treasure-hunting?"

Lady Leatherhead (and who shall blame her?) could find no answer to this difficult but interesting question. She contented herself with pointing out to her son that he was not Chauver. Harold looked rather hurt but this remark (of whose truth, however, he must have long been aware) and his mother left the room with a slight advantage.

She now confronted her guests with an assurance rather more aggressive than usual, like a lion-tamer who enters the cage immediately after tripping over the cat.

"Just a minute," she said, in that deceptively fluted voice, "while I explain the rules."

Whether their owners wished it or not, the faces in the hall automatically assumed an air of eager but intelligent expectation, such as is worn by school-boys, before the lights go out, at a lantern lecture.

"First of all" announced Lady Leatherhead, "the clues are all written on cards like this." (She held one up.) "Now these cards are numbered," she went on, somehow managing to suggest that this made them immensely valuable, "and the clues are arranged in sequence—first No. 1, then No. 2, then 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, and so on. Do you all understand that?" she asked doubtfully, as if it was practically impossible to understand.

"Yes, Lady Leatherhead," they cried.

"There are twelve clues in all," she continued, "and the twelfth directs you to the treasure. Now no one must on any account take a short cut. If you find a clue bearing a number which isn't the number directly following the number of the clue you found last you must just put it back where you found it and go on looking for the clue you were looking for before!" Lady Leatherhead paused dramatically, as if she had suggested the most fantastic and unheard-of expedient. "Now you will do that, won't you?" she begged, in her most suavely menacing voice.

"Of course, Lady Leatherhead," they cried.

"Very well, then," she cried, "here is the first clue." She cleared her throat, and the mackintoshes rustled uneasily. Zero hour was on them.

"Clocks tell the time (chanted their hostess).

*In rain or shine:
But I am done
If there's no sun.*

What Milton has described as "a dismal universal hiss" made itself heard in the hall; everyone was whispering to his neighbour "the sun-dial." It was an awkward moment. Their blood was not yet up, whatever they might hope to acquire for this compulsory chase had so far had no chance of infecting them. Where all should have sprung forward, nobody moved. They felt a keen reluctance, now that the crucial moment had come, to behave like children. The spirit of competition was strangled at birth.

By PETER FLEMING

Lady Leatherhead saw how it was with them. "Off you go!" she trumpeted. "It's in the garden, I warn you. Off you go!"

And off Miss Buxter went, with a laugh of ineffable jollity and a cry (for which none of those present forgave her) of "Come on, chaps!" They followed her, buttoning their collars about their chins, out of the front door and across the lawn, where the wind beat them about and blew Mr. Ruak's hat into a bird-bath.

"Oh, Holi!" groaned Virginia Gollstone, who, as a gently nurtured and social successfully debutante might fairly be said (as far as country life was concerned) to be done if there was no sun; "this is ghastly."

It was, rather. To Harold, who observed them from his window, the scene as they stood round the sun-dial, was irresistibly suggestive of a burial at sea though he had never actually witnessed one of those melancholy ceremonies. The strenuously cracking mackintoshes, the heads bowed (though not so much in reverence as in a desire to keep the rain off their faces), a general air of griefs unvoiced and murmured prayers, of helplessness in the face of the elements—all these things struck Harold as so vividly analogous that he made a note of the conceit, hoping to work it in somewhere in his portrayal of middle-class life. Miss Buxter was reading out the second clue from the steps of the sun-dial. A large hank of clay-coloured hair, escaping from the confines of a hat which can most charitably be described as "sensible," was flattened across her broad face by the wind and got, in her mouth a good deal, interfering with her vowel-sounds. Luckily it was a very short clue—

"Bird thou never wert..."

I love Swinburne, don't you?" shrieked Virginia Gollstone to Henry Taint above the ringing of the storm. Henry Taint was

a young M.P.; for ten years people had kept on saying he was promising, but he had yet to perform. Virginia wanted it clearly understood that this out-of-door stuff was not in her line at all. "Don't you love Swinburne?" she repeated, seeing that he had not heard.

"Not in this weather!" he shouted; he had understood her to say "swimming," and was surprised when she laughed as at some witty retort. "Silly girl!" he decided: "kisses when you answer a question sensibly."

Meanwhile an air of painful indecision hung over the treasure-seekers. "Bird thou never wert..." There were so many things of which that could be said.

Somebody suggested Lady Leatherhead's parrot—a loathsome bird, and a martyr to ringworm; it was a promising solu-

tion, but finally rejected, because, however, you chose to define the walk of life to which God had now called the creature there was little or no doubt that it had once been a bird. A far more acceptable interpretation was "The Swan"—an inn not far from the drive gates—and thither the company moved off, in a straggling procession noticeably headed by the men.

Hugo Rolluck, a cricket Blue and a man with very strong views on how the second half of every morning should be spent, reached the inn first. The clue was pinned to the door of the public bar; but the door of the public bar was locked. There was half an hour to go before they opened. Rolluck, a quick thinker and a gentleman, tore down the card, climbed on to a bench, and dropped the too accessible paste-board through the exiguous crack of open window which was considered sufficient to ventilate the public bar during the summer months. The vanguard of the hunt swung round the corner as he stepped down, dusting his enormous hands on his enormous trousers.

"Is it there?" cried some. But more cried: "Are they open?"

The clue, explained this admirable youth, in whom athletic prowess was so happily united to a keen practical intelligence, was not actually visible from the outside of the inn, but he had very little doubt that it would be found inside. They had but to wait till the landlord threw open his hospitable doors, and it would then be no difficult matter to search the more commonly frequented premises of the building, in some conspicuous part of which their considerate hostess had, he was prepared to wager, deposited the clue.

The men looked avidly at their watches, the women curiously at Rolluck, whose histrionic powers, to tell the truth, were scarcely adequate to the role he had so nobly assumed. It

would in fact, have been hard to imagine a more thoughtfully executed portrayal of a guilty man; if the unfortunate Rolluck had committed the foul-est of murders by the clumsiest methods a second or two before their arrival he could hardly have shifted more frequently from one leg to the other, or more appealingly eyed those of the party whom he accounted his friends, or more convulsively

ly and unconsciously burst out with snatches of irrelevant conversation. Guilt was writ large on his well-developed features; perspiration bedewed them. The women smelt a rat.

It was Miss Buxter who interrupted it. Peering through the window of the bar she described the object of their search lying, as ill-luck would have it, face upwards and the right way round on the broad sill inside, plain to be read by all. She gave an exultant yelp.

"Here it is," she cried; "you can see it from here!"

At that moment there was not a man present who would not, cheerfully and without compunction, have shot Miss Buxter, or killed her with some blunt instrument, or pushed her over Niagara Falls. But no opportunity for doing any of these things presented itself; Miss Buxter continued to live, and breathe, and have her insufferable being. The treasure-seekers surged round the window in a damp press. Major Tiler read out the clue.

"Oh for the wings of a dove!" he announced; and you could see that he meant it.

"Another of these quotations," said Hugo Rolluck, in the voice of a man speaking intelligently; he was not yet quite sure how he stood with public opinion.

The clue could hardly be called a baffling one. It referred, obviously, to the old dove-cote under the eaves of the stables. They trooped off, with all the alacrity of prisoners detailed for Siberia in a Russian film. Major Tiler stayed behind in the porch; apparently, he was trying to light his pipe.

A quarter of an hour later the bedraggled posse stood in a long, low loft at the farther end of which pigeon-holes punctured the obscurity in a little pyramid. There was a strong, almost an overwhelming smell of horses, decomposition, and old mice. It was, to all intents and purposes, pitch dark.

With a cheerful click Mr. Ruak lit his gold cigarette-lighter. It showed them little beyond their own shiny and disgruntled faces and a number of horribly indefinable shapes which might have been anything from ectoplasm to bales of jute. With an eerie cry Miss Gollstone announced that a rat had passed over her foot.

"Poor thing," said Miss Buxter ambiguously. "I'm going ahead."

She went ahead, and the hue and cry followed her, shuffling along in a gingerly way, like young men dancing with their aunts. Their feet ploughed through a layer of nameless de-

bris, they cursed Lady Leatherhead in their hearts.

Suddenly there was a rending crash and, from somewhere below them, a sound which had more in it of the walloping than the thud. The party stood rooted to the spot. A large, ragged hole gaped in the worm-eaten boards before them, and through it filtered up the voice of Miss Buxter, swearing like a debutante.

"Are you all right?" they called down to her. You could not, from the way they asked the question, have deduced whether they expected the answer "Yes" or "No," but it was less difficult to gather which would have pleased them best.

It appeared, however, that she was all right, comparatively speaking. She had landed on a pile of hay in a loose-box, and was suffering from nothing more than a slight nervous shock. They, who were suffering from as much themselves, made haste to descend. They found Miss Buxter in her loose box, but the reunion was not, from her point of view, a wholly satisfactory one, since the door was locked and it was quite impossible to climb out. As they moved off in search of help one and all were surprised to find how apt, how vivid was the analogy which each had unconsciously half-formulated between Miss Buxter and a horse. To see her now you would have thought that she had lived all her life in a loose-box. It seemed really almost a pity to detach her from so perfect a setting....

Shortly before all this happened Harold laid down his fountain pen. His novel of middle-class life was the bigger, if not the better, by some seventy words. They described the heroine's anguish of mind as she prepared a high tea for her drunken father and his friends. Her father had begun the book as an upholsterer, but someone had told Harold that the members of this profession were recruited largely from the lower, not the middle, classes; so the heroine's father was promoted, with the minimum of erasion, to "master-upholsterer," which sounded at once more dignified and more brutal.

At the moment Harold was having difficulty with the Licensing Laws, if you had your high tea at six, did that give the master-upholsterer and his cronies a fair chance of getting partially intoxicated on the way home? He made a note: "Ask Tiler about pubs." It paid to be thorough even in literature.

He re-read his morning's work; substituted "antimacassar" for "aspidistra" in one of the atmospheric bits; yawned, and wandered downstairs. His mother found him, as ill-luck would have it, reading the "Tatler" in the drawing-room. Lady Leatherhead was in a very domineering mood. Unable, in the circumstances, even to pretend that he was looking for "copy," Harold was driven out to join and superintend the treasure-hunters. Most bitter blow of all, he had his own gambit played on him with conspicuous success. "Do you suppose," bayed his mother, "that Tolstoi sat about reading the 'Tatler' all day?"

Harold stumbled blindly away in search of his raincoat, to all intents and purposes a broken man. But even as he twitched it irritably from its peg inspiration came to him. He remembered that he knew where the treasure was hidden. The sweets of revenge were as good as his.

The next ten minutes he spent at a writing-table. Then he went out to face the elements and his mother's guests, blithely, with head erect.

The pack, when he came up with it, could hardly be described as in full cry, though Virginia Gollstone was not far from tears, having sustained contusions from a brawl in the potting shed. Major Tiler, reappearing from the direction

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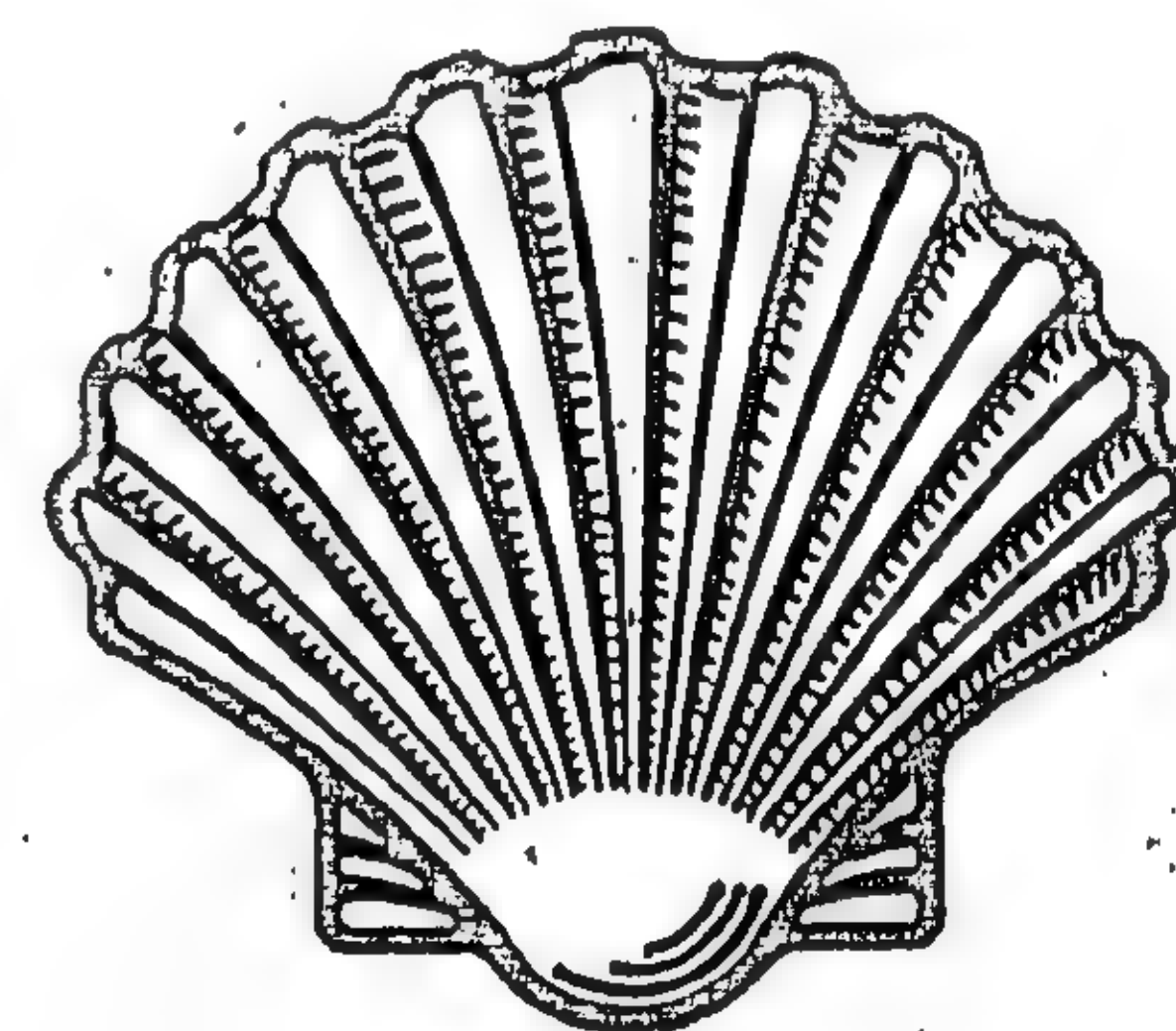
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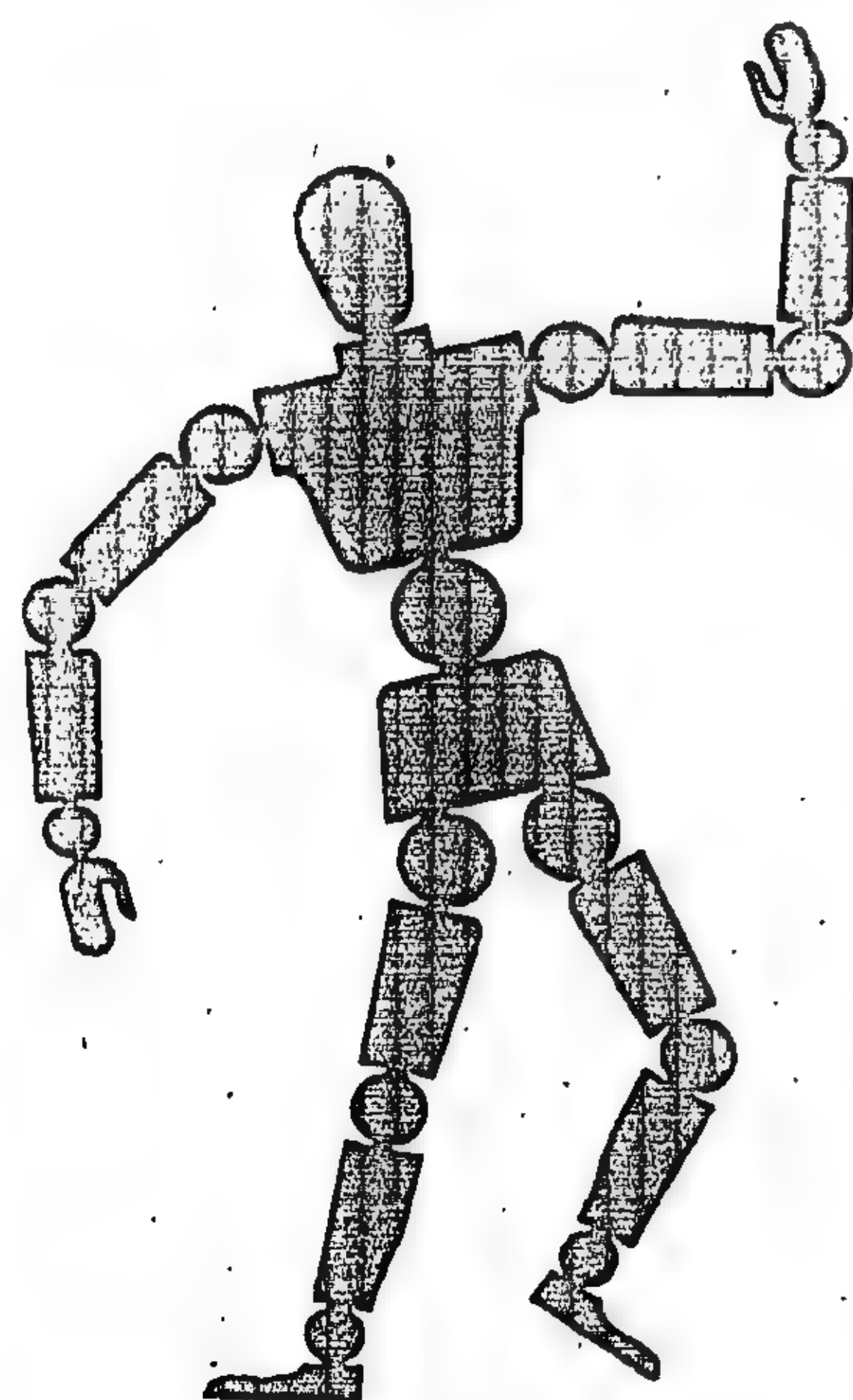
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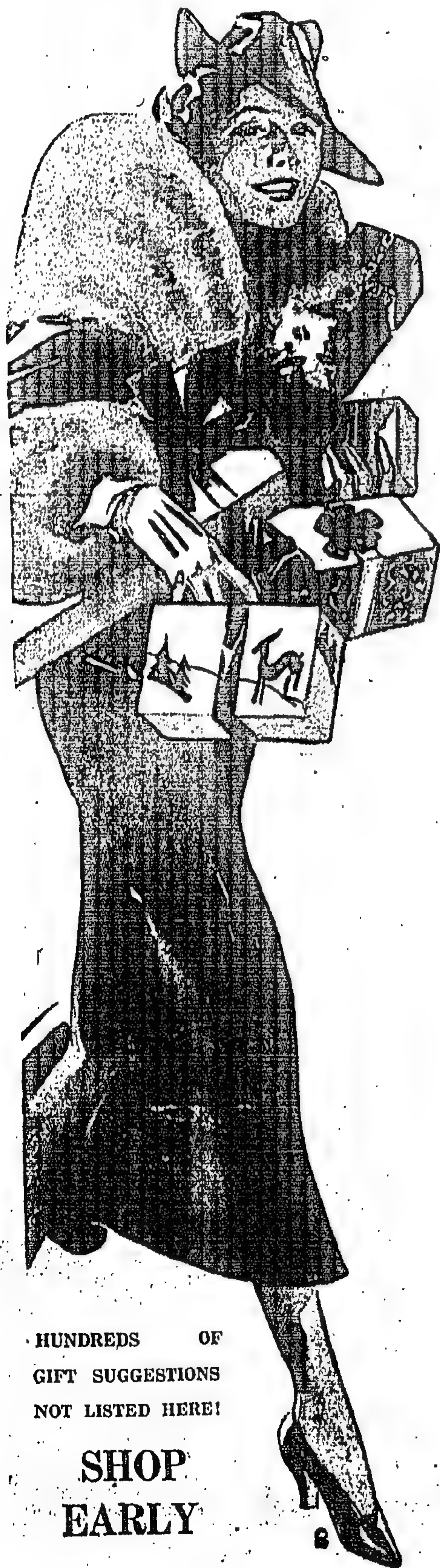
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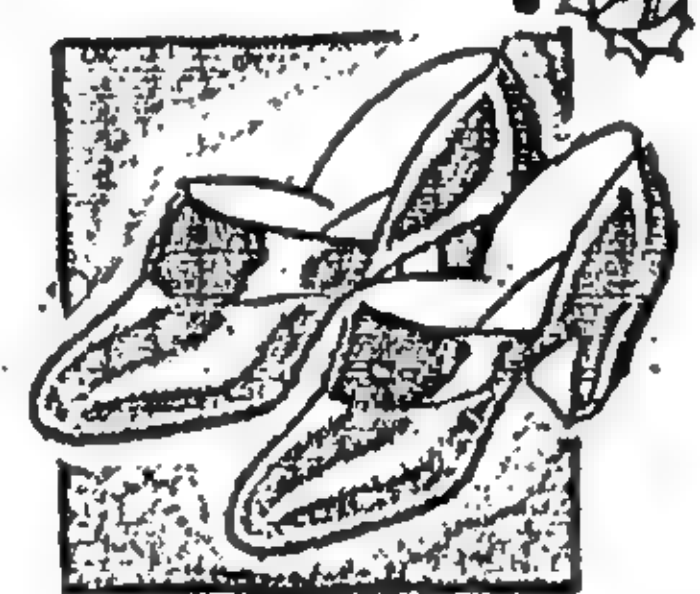
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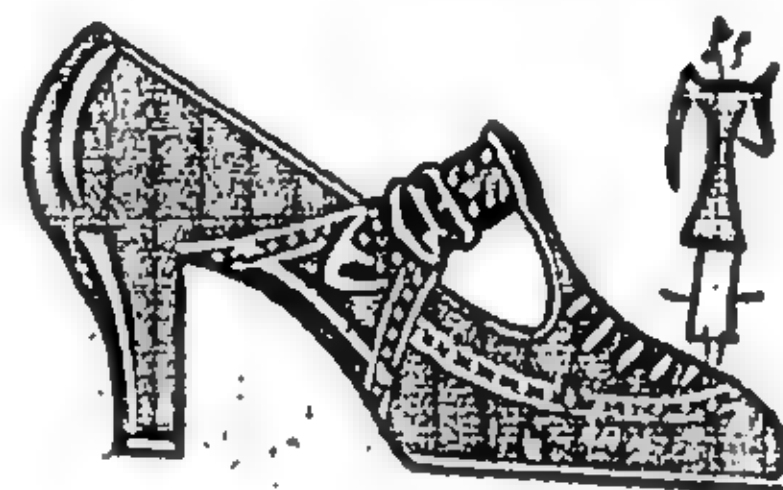
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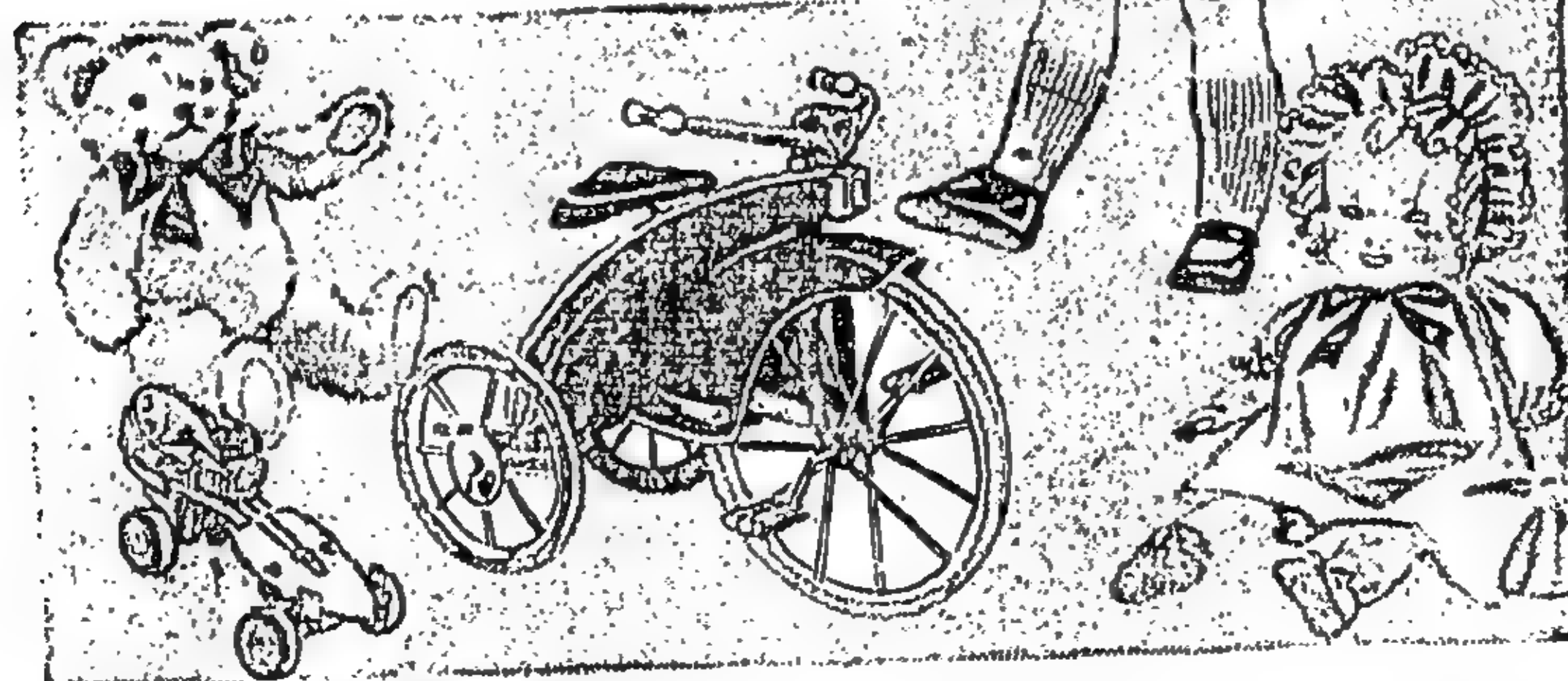


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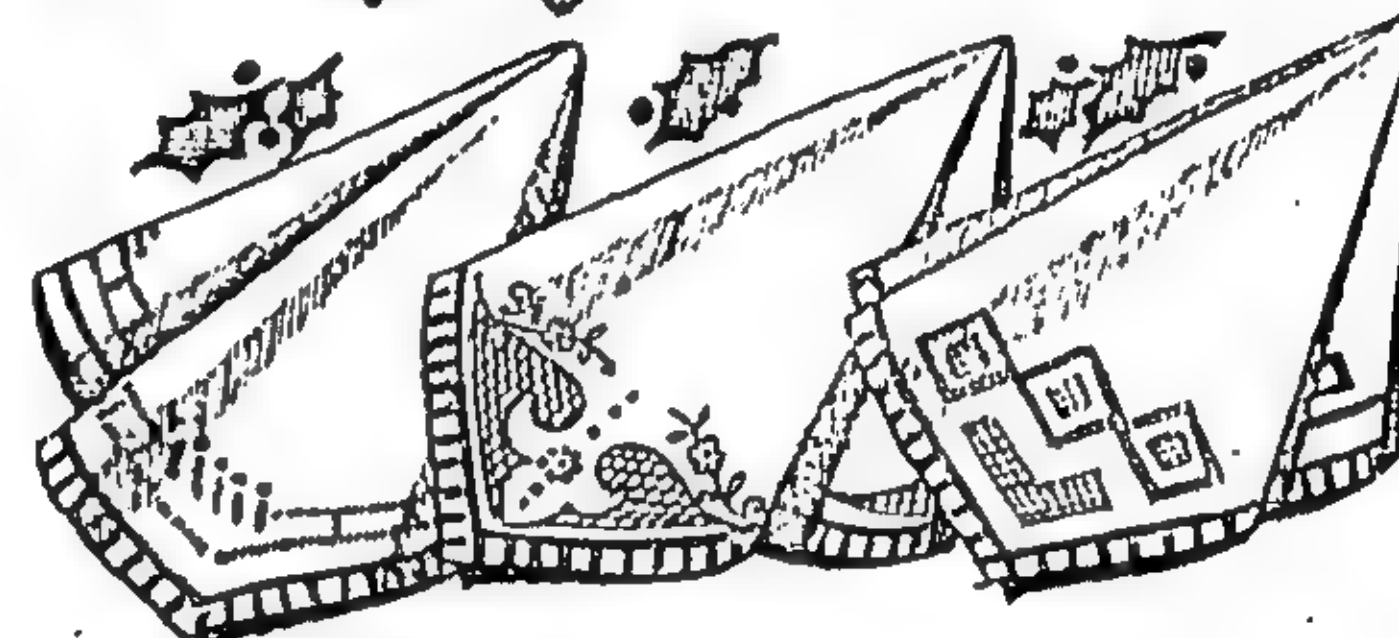


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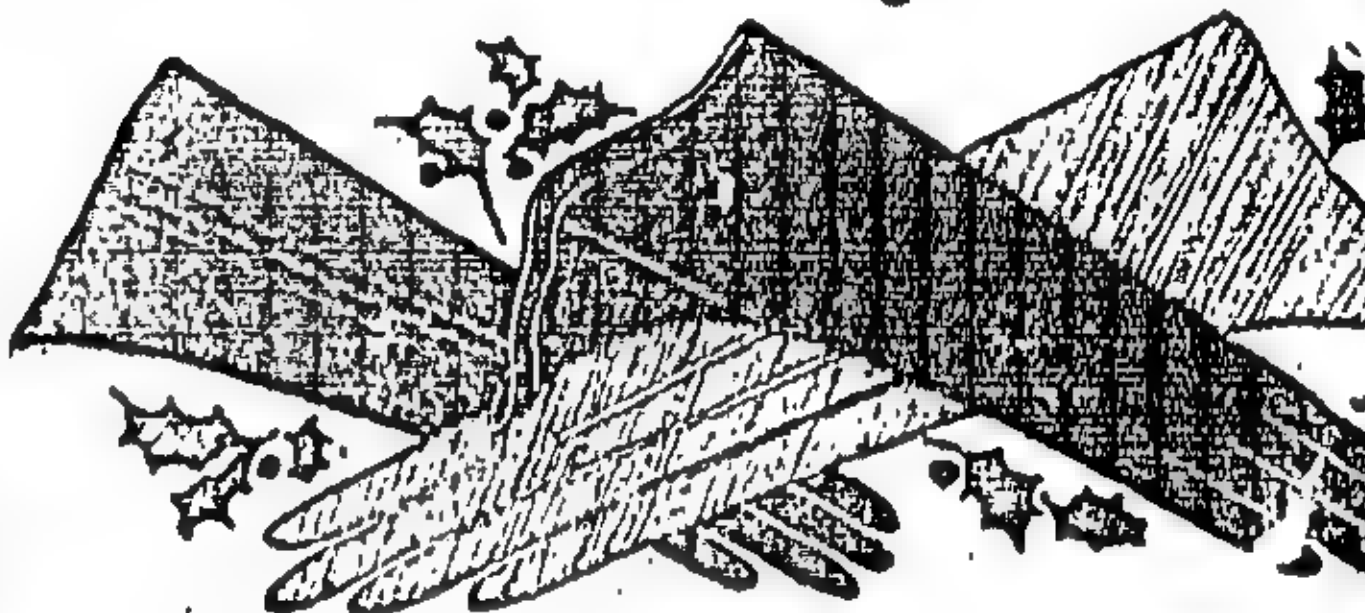
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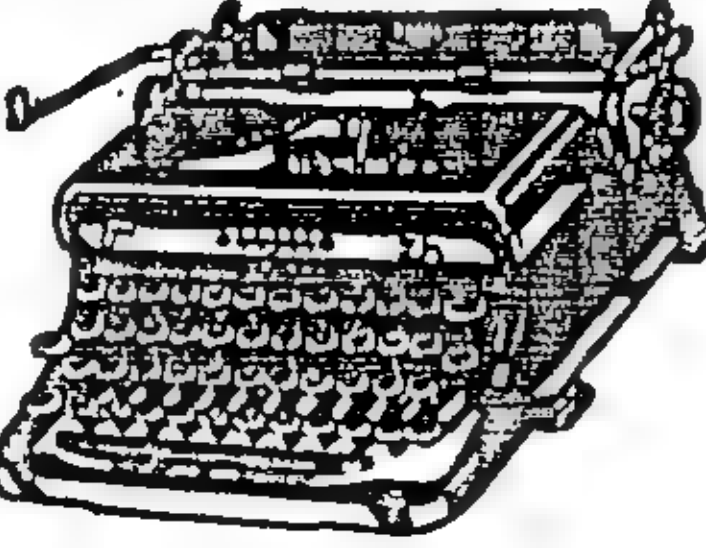
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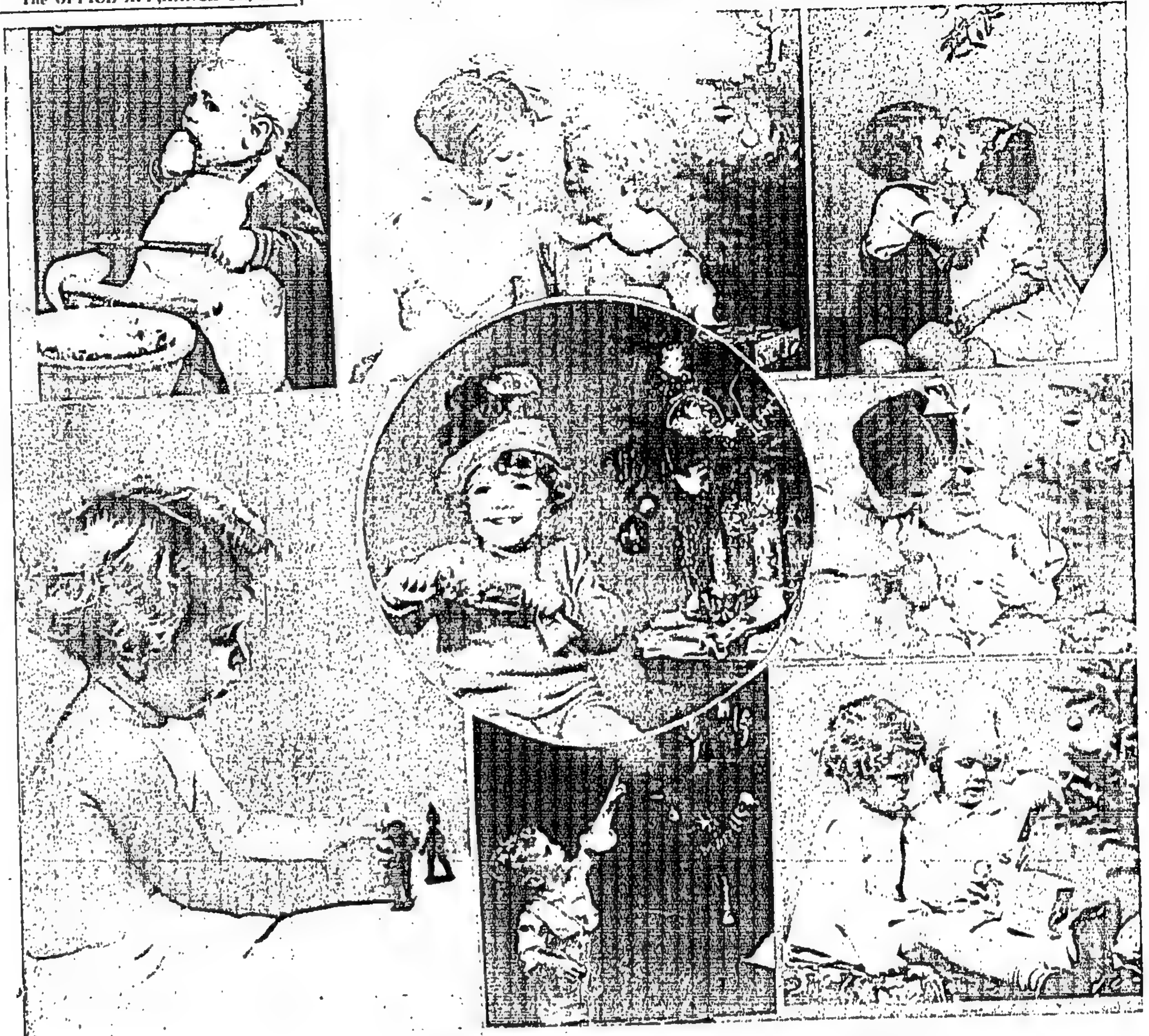
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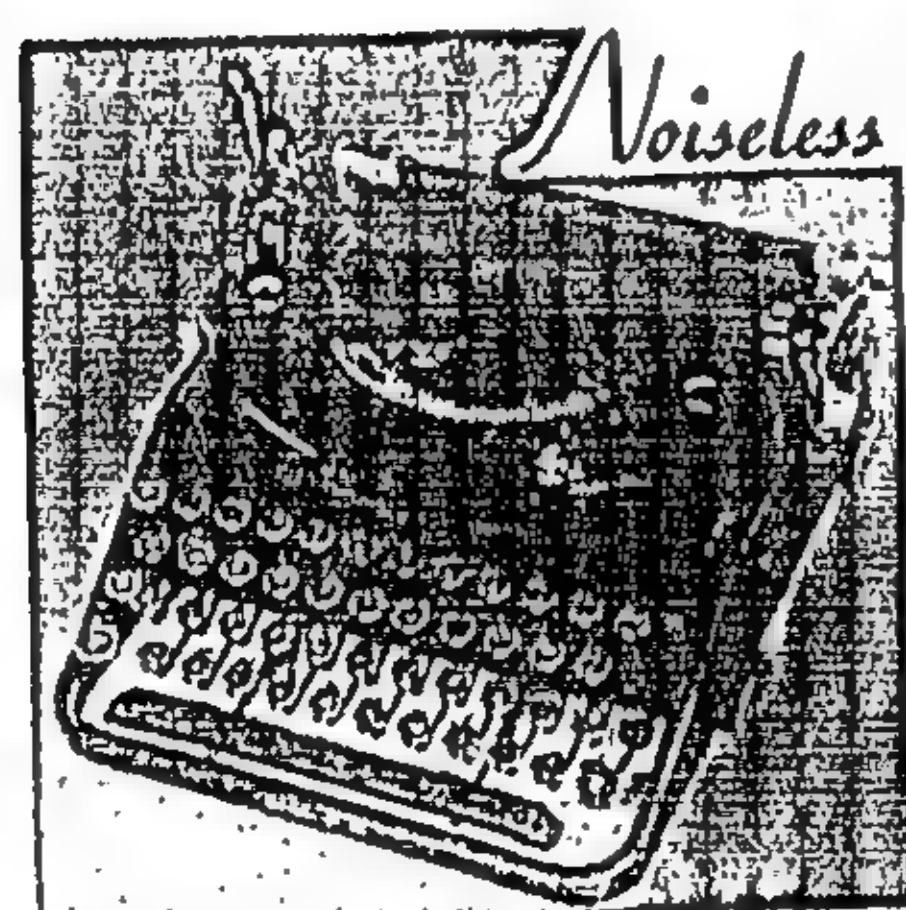
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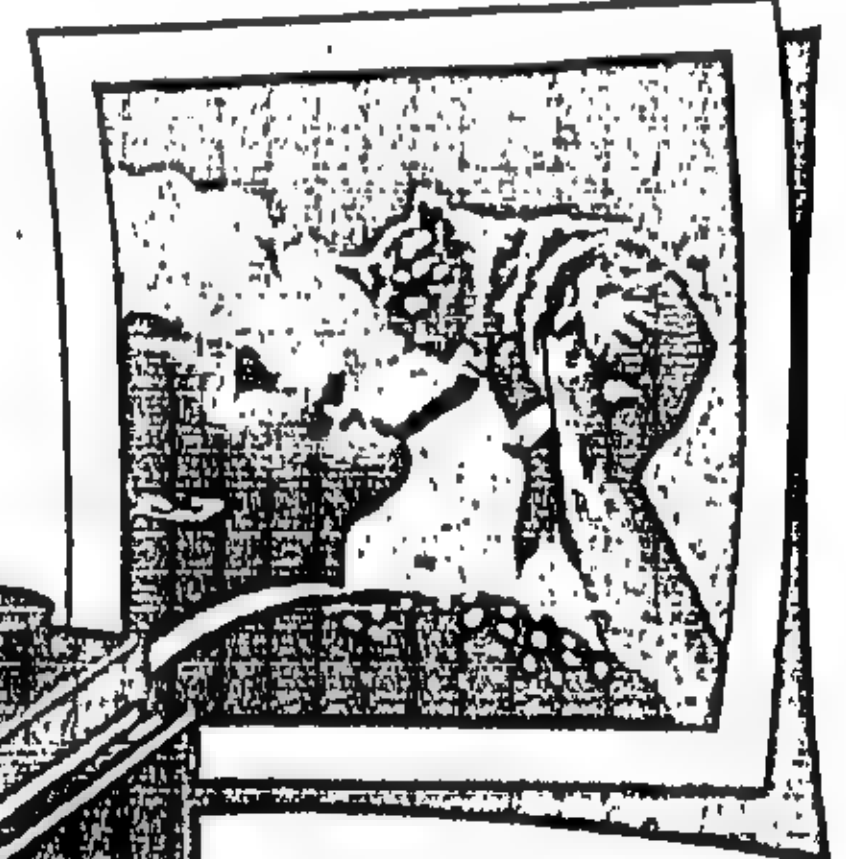
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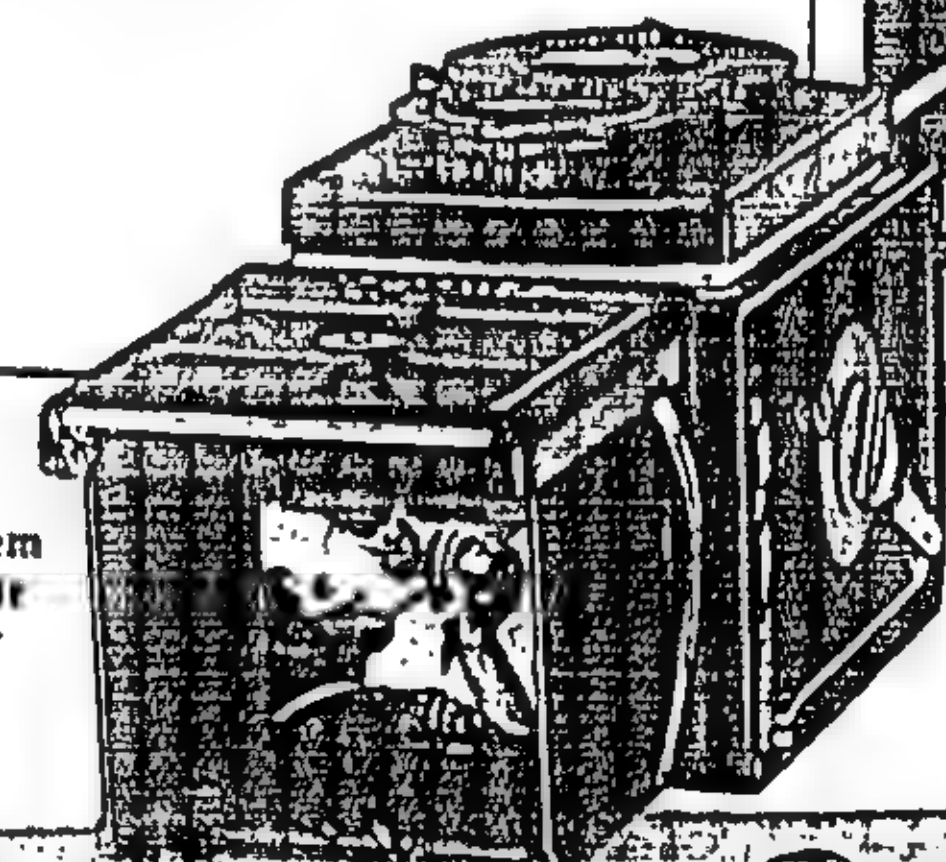
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A Weekly Common-Sense Talk

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This Week I Discuss: "The Lazy Way To Health."

LAST week I gave a group of twelve exercises which could be done either in bed or in the bedroom. This week I give a further group. My reason in giving twenty-four simple movements is that by so doing I have planned to work every muscle in the body—thus strengthening the whole muscular framework. By following this group you can easily determine those exercises from which you consider you derive the most benefit—well keep at them, and bring the particular muscles they effect to the same standard as those you may "work" through your present physical pastime be it golf, tennis or walking.

Exercise No. 13

Still sitting on edge of bed, clench the hands and hold arms out at full length straight out from your sides until they are in a line with your chest. Tense the muscles of arms and body, then slowly revolve the body from side to side, exerting a strong effort in so doing. Repeat several times. Keep arms tensed.

Exercise No. 14

Now stand up. Place hands on hips, throw out chest and lift one foot at a time until it is at right angles to the body. Keep leg and body muscles tensed while doing this. Alternate first left then right leg, doing this slowly. Point the toes as you lift the feet, keeping a strain on foot muscles. Repeat.

Exercise No. 15

Stand with heels together and feet forming an angle of 90 degrees, hands on hips, head with chin held high. Now lift one leg at a time, bending the knee like a horse trotting. When leg is bent up to the top thigh should rest against the abdomen. Alternate first one leg then the other sev-

eral times, always keeping a muscular strain on the leg and body.

Exercise No. 16

With hands on hips, twist body first to right then to left, turning it from the waist up but not moving the hips. There must be strain on the lower body in doing this. A splendid exercise for reducing the hips. Repeat several times, keeping the body tense and making the turns slowly and with effort.

Exercise No. 17

From same position bend the upper body to the right and left alternately, keeping the lower body rigid.

Exercise No. 18

From same position hold head and shoulders steady and turn the hips first to one side, then to the other. Repeat always keeping a strain on body muscles.

Exercise No. 19

From same position rise on the toes and sink to squatting position with knees wide apart. Drop the arms on sinking and lift them over the head on rising. Inhale on rising and exhale on squatting. Keep steady tension on muscles all the time.

Exercise No. 20

With heels together, standing, lift arms high over the head, then bend the body forward at the waist, keeping the legs rigid. Bend until the tips of your fingers touch your toes without bending your knees, then slowly go back to upright position. This exercise must be done very slowly and keeping a marked strain on all muscles of the body.

Exercise No. 21

Lay on the floor on your back, catching your toes under a low bedrail, dresser, chiffonier or some other heavy article of furniture. Then extend arms over your head with hands wide extended. Now



Miss Caudron, one of Capt. Litvino's riding pupils, shown on Trojan.

without swinging your body lift yourself to a sitting position. The toe hold is to keep your feet down. This must be done slowly and tensely, then let the body go back to the reclining position. There is no exercise quite so effective in reducing abdominal fat. Don't overdo this exercise at first. Increase number of flexings as you can.

Exercise No. 22

Still keeping your toe hold bring body halfway to upright sitting position, then slowly turn upper body left and right several times before going back to reclining position.

Exercise No. 23

Kneel down on the floor with your body sitting back on your feet and your hands extended well out before you, elbows on floor. Now slowly, with effort, bring body forward until chest is

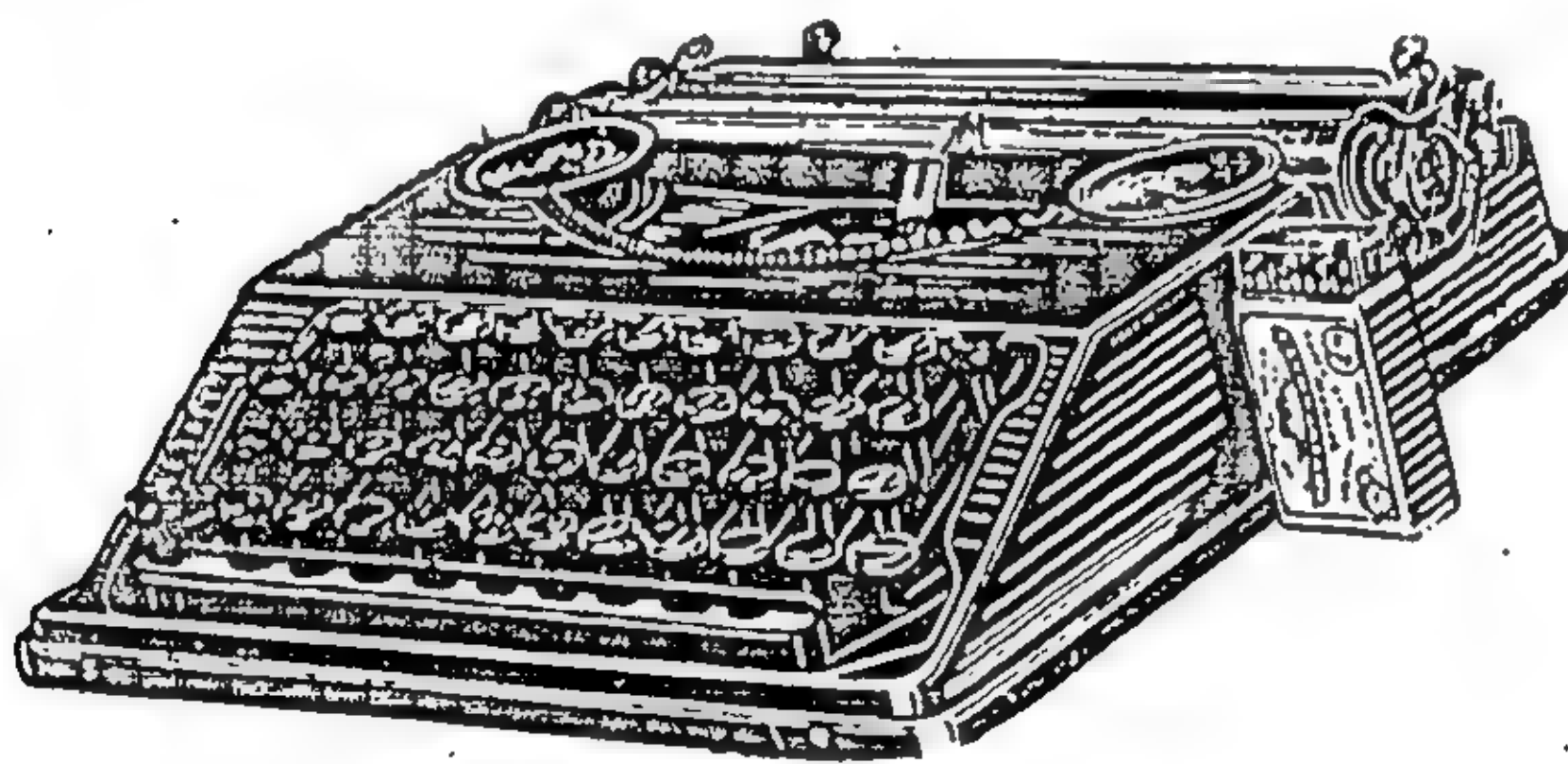
resting on forearms and chin touches the floor. Repeat this slowly, backwards and forwards, several times. Keep a tense muscular strain while doing this.

Exercise No. 24

From the same position as in Exercise No. 23 drop one shoulder until it rests on your hands, then the other, alternating them slowly.

Exercise No. 25

From standing position, heels together, arms extended over the head, bend your abdomen forward and outward as far as you can without losing your balance. Do this slowly, then bend it back until your body forms an arch. Then repeat the forward bend. When bent forward the body should form an arch with the tips of the hands and the heels as the ends of the arch. Keep a strong muscular strain all over the body while doing this.



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ABOUT 50 years ago, a startling notice appeared in the windows of a draper's shop in New Oxford Street, London. "As Worn in Paris" read the tickets on the latest models, and the ladies of London wondered whose daring idea this was.

The person behind the notice was Miss Blanche Glave, who has just died in London at the age of 80. She was the last surviving member of the family who owned the famous draper's shop of that name in New Oxford Street. While she was still a schoolgirl, she persuaded her father, Henry Glave, who founded the shop more than 100 years ago, to give her a job. In less than five years she was in joint control of a flourishing business.

She was one of England's pioneer business women, and created something of a sensation by going to Paris and engaging two French saleswomen at salaries of £1,000 each a year. Her working hours were 9 a.m. to 8 p.m., and she was actively engaged in the firm's business until 11 years ago. When Glaves was liquidated in 1933 she was heart-broken, and retired to a flat overlooking another large draper's shop.

Unusual jobs, an historic name, and a feat of endurance have brought the names of four women into the news.

Fraulein Louise Horna, a 21-year-old Austrian girl employed as a parbourmaid at Kensington, swam the Solent from Portsmouth to Ryde, in the Isle of Wight, while on her holidays. The distance is about five miles, but there are some bad currents, and Fraulein Horna did the crossing in five and a half hours.

"I have always wanted to do this," she gasped as she collapsed on the sands at Ryde at midnight.

Mrs. Myrtle Farquharson, of Invercauld, had a true Highland welcome when she returned home to her estate near Balmoral, Deeside, the other day. Formerly Mrs. Robin D'Erlanger, she reverted to her family name after her divorce, and on the death of her father became the laird of the estate. When she arrived, clansmen lined the avenue leading to the house, and her car was drawn to the gate by 10 Highlanders, escorted by pipers playing the "Invercauld March."

Before she crossed the threshold, the pipers played "Mrs. Farquharson of Invercauld's Welcome Home," which was last played when her mother came to Invercauld as a bride 44 years ago.

A flying saleswoman is Mrs. Betty Kirby-Greene, who, after only four months' flying experience, plans to fly the Atlantic alone at the end of this month, and then make an air tour of the United States, demonstrating British goods. She will then fly back again. After only 25 flying hours she flew to Paris and back for a bet.

A Bedfordshire farmer's wife, Mrs. Violet Turvey, who started mice-breeding because she was bored, and now has some fifteen thousand mice, is going to America this month to judge a mice competition in New York.

She used to keep guinea-pigs and rabbits, and when someone suggested mice as a change she confessed that she was terrified of them. Now she has fifteen thousand of all colours—pink, black, blue, and even magenta—in hutches in her garden. A few privileged ones are allowed to wander about the farmhouse.

Mainly about WOMEN

An idea which is being used to modernise the kitchen of No. 10 Downing Street, the Prime Minister's home, has come from the council houses of Manchester. Instead of the old-fashioned gas stoves at present installed, Mrs. Neville Chamberlain, the Prime Minister's wife, is having stoves with oven doors that open by pressing with the foot on a knob. These stoves are being successfully used at Manchester.

The debut of these stoves in Downing Street forms part of the £15,000 modernisation scheme now in progress which will make No. 10 a comfortable town house instead of the heart-breaking old-fashioned, cramped, and rather dingy home it has been for so many years.

Every Prime Minister's wife in turn has bewailed the way its rooms are planned—with offices and private sitting-rooms almost adjoining. Lady Oxford, who lived there when her husband was Prime Minister, once said it was "squalid and liver-coloured." Other wives have been even less

complimentary.

Changes now being made will move all the bedrooms to the first floor, replace the out-of-date electric lighting system by modern diffused bulbs and chromium fittings.

Most of the colour schemes for the various rooms have been chosen by Mrs. Chamberlain. Pastel greens, buffs, and golds will transform dark corners, for these shades are favourites with Mrs. Chamberlain.

One of the world's greatest pioneers in careers for women—Miss Caroline Haslett—delivered the opening speech of the Summer School of Electrical Housecraft for Teachers in the Glasgow and West of Scotland College of Domestic Science. Miss Haslett has had a remarkable career, and it is largely through her efforts that women engineers become accepted by industry. She has been in turn the first secretary of the Women's Engineering Society and the first director of the Electrical Association for Women. She is also an



Ann Beatrice, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Simpson of the H. K. Police.

adviser to the Government on electrical training for women. Besides writing numerous articles in engineering and industrial journals, she has found time to establish and edit "The Woman Engineer" and "The Electrical Age for Women."

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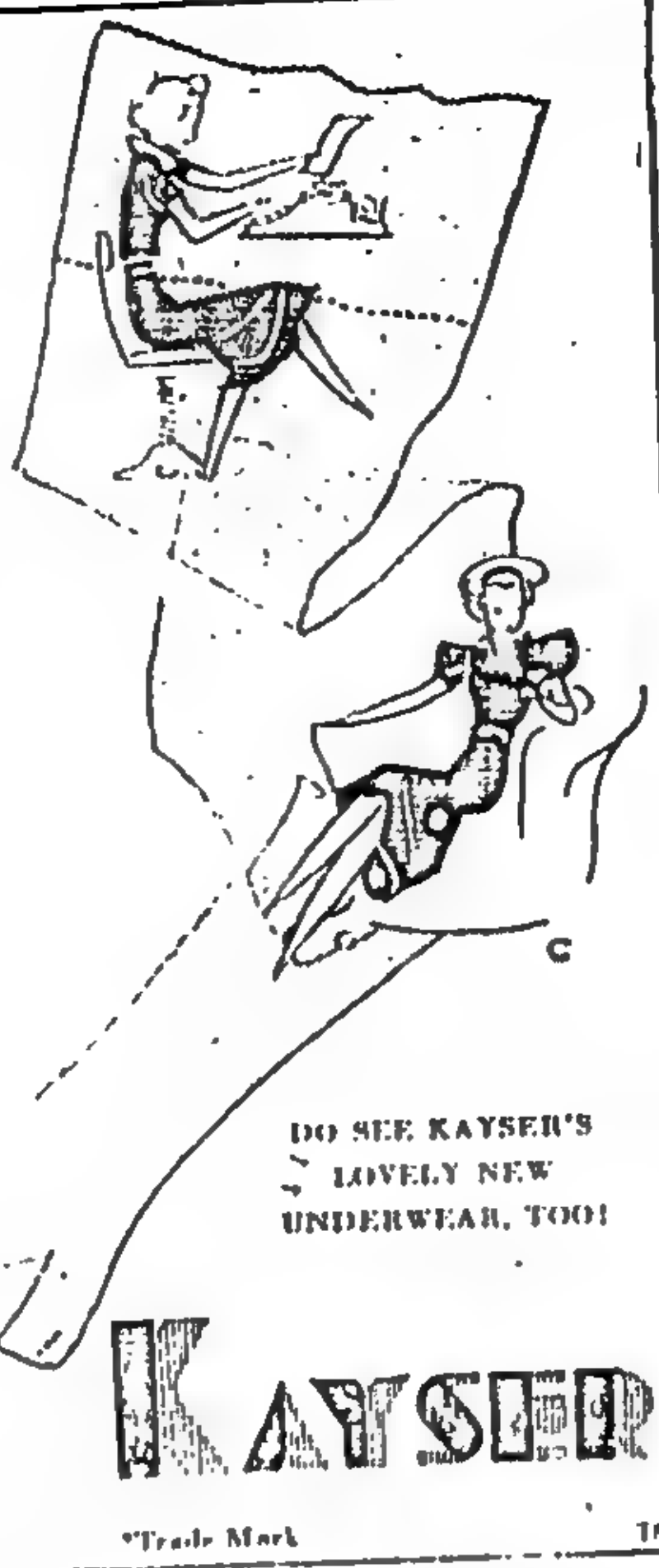
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Try These After Your Christmas Dinner

AFTER the serious business of eating the turkey and trying to find the threepenny bits in the plum pudding comes the dessert, and that is the time when most of the dishes have been cleared away, to try some amusing tricks.

First of all, can you tie a knot in a piece of string when both ends are held in your hands? It can't be done. Well, try this way. Lay the string in a straight line on the table in front of you. Next cross your arms and fold them tight, so that your right hands peeps out near your left elbow. Now lean forward—I hope you won't be too full to do this—and with your arms still crossed take the ends of the string in your fingers. Keep a tight grip on the ends, sit back with a sigh of relief, and uncross your arms. You will find the knot has been tied, even though you had hold of the string all the time.

Of course what has really happened is that you tied a knot in your arms, and when you uncrossed them, this knot was passed on to the string.

Now try some balancing tricks, although there is really no deception about them. They can all be done with a pair of steady hands and just a little patience.

First of all try a simple one. Take two clean forks and stick them into opposite sides of a cork, so that they are nearly at right angles to the length of the cork. Now balance the cork on the lip of a bottle—a jug will do if there isn't a bottle on the table—and you will find that you can tilt the bottle to pour out a glass of whatever it contains without upsetting the cork and the forks.

You can take this experiment a little further, by sticking a pin into the bottom of the cork and putting a weight on top. Then give one of the forks a tap and the whole contraption will spin merrily round, perfectly balanced on the pin.

Before leaving the cork and the forks you can perform a "trick" which is really a reproduction of a very famous experiment made by a scientist named Foucault many years ago. For this you need a pendulum, which is easily and quickly made by pushing a match through a small piece of fruit—a cherry or even a large sultana—and tying a piece of cotton to the other end of the match. Fasten the other end of the cotton which should be about five inches long, to the cork. This time you will need three forks, pushed into the cork so as to form a tripod that will stand up. Balance the tripod on a large plate and start the pendulum swinging.

At the end of the pendulum's swing, put a pile of salt or sugar, so that at each swing a groove is cut. As long as you leave the apparatus alone, the pendulum will go on cutting through the same place in the pile of salt, but move the plate ever so slightly and the pendulum will miss the salt. This is because it continues to swing in exactly the same line. You can move the plate slowly round in a half circle that the pendulum again cuts the salt.

Here is a good catch which needs only a penny, a halfpenny, and a piece of paper. Place the halfpenny on the paper and cut out a hole the exact size. If you next produce your penny and any you can put the penny through

the hole, everyone will doubt if it is possible, because the hole is so much smaller than the penny. But it can be done very simply by bending the paper round the hole, when you can gently push the penny through from underneath without tearing the paper.

Could you make two tumblers stick together so that you can lift one with the other? This is how it is done. In case of accidents, use old glasses and make sure they are the same size. In one glass place a small piece of paper that you have set alight. Then place a sheet of paper over the mouth, closing it completely. Put the other glass over the paper and when the little fire you have made has died down, you will be able to lift the two glasses together by taking up the top one. The burning paper used up some of the oxygen in the lower glass, and as no more could get in, created a partial vacuum, which makes the two glasses stick together.

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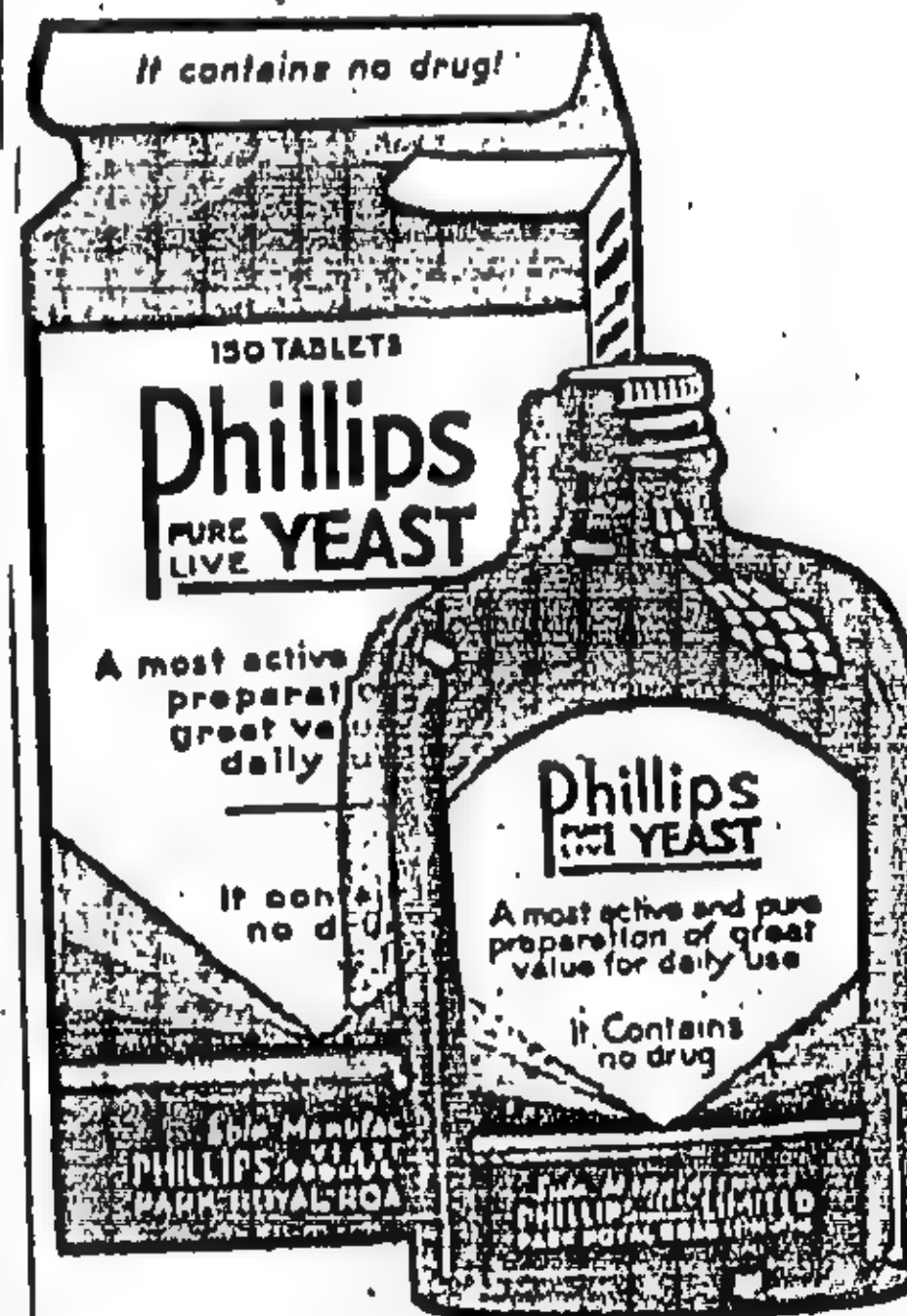


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Father Time appears to the Arcadians. A scene from the very successful Philharmonic Society's production at the Queen's Theatre. ("Herald" photo).



Another scene from "The Arcadians" — the aviator drops from the sky into Arcadia. ("Herald" photo).



Here Max Springweiller and his bride, the former Fraulein Ruth Rau. (Ming Yuen Studio).



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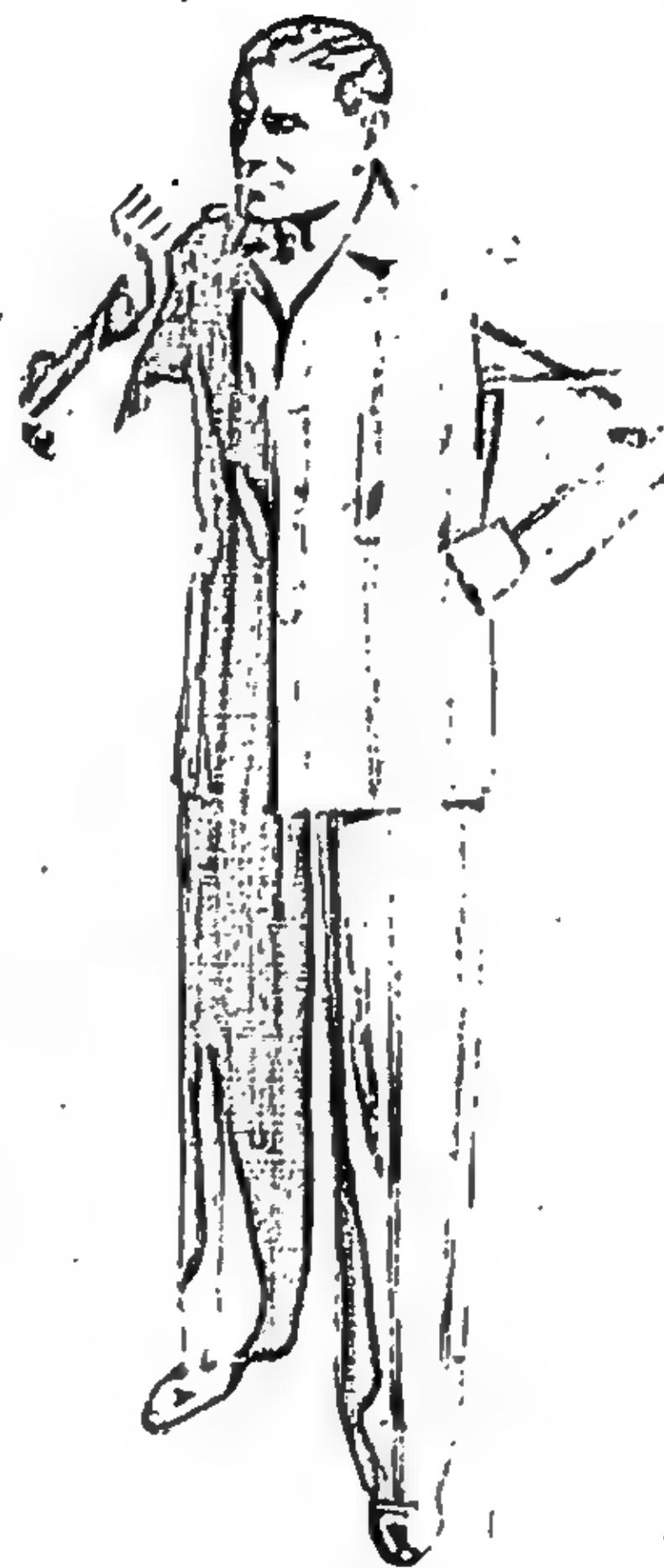


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CHRISTMAS began in November in England, when Santa Claus was already at the big stores. The Post Office is standing by, with plans complete. Fairy queens are fitting their wings for the pantomimes.

The Post Office has taken on 75,000 extra men. In London alone, it will need 3,000 more men than last year.

Better employment is expected to result in a bigger Christmas parcel mail. When times are bad, parcel traffic falls, while, on the other hand, more cards are sent.

This Christmas, however, cards as well as parcels are likely to show a big increase.

62,000,000 Greeting

The last time that Christmas fell on a Saturday was in 1926, and the arrangements for this year, when Christmas is also a Saturday, have been modelled on those of 11 years ago.

Christmas letter traffic, however, has increased by about 75 per cent. since 1926, and the parcel post traffic by 50 per cent.

It is anticipated that nearly 62,000,000 letters will be posted in London alone during the coming week.

Compared with a normal delivery in London of 90,000 parcels a day, 400,000 were delivered on December 23 last year.

Letters posted in London on that day reached 17,000,000, compared with the normal 6,500,000.

THE PLUMPER PANTO CHORUS

Pantomime figures for London are this year bigger in every sense of the word.

Work will be provided for more than 25,000 people; costs of production will amount to more than £1,000,000, which will be spread over more than 100 pantomimes throughout the country.

But the figures of the personnel will also be larger. No longer is the super-streamlined slimmed figure in demand; the public calls for a chorus whose curves command attention—not skinny specimens whose only conspicuous attraction is the exposure of a row of ribs remarkably well revealed.

It is not known whether this change of ideas on the part of the theatregoers is due to the influence of Mae West or to the "Fitter Britain" campaign; but the fact remains that it is the well-rounded figure which will tell when the choruses of the pantomimes are chosen.

These choruses account for about 10,000 jobs for the Christmas season, and they are taken by all kinds of girls who want to experience the thrill of stage life for six to 12 weeks' season.

Many of them work during the day as shop assistants, office

girls, factory hands, and even nurses. Before the pantomime opens, the chorus rarely gets more than three weeks' rehearsal, but considering the fact that the general run of pantomime girls are not full-time chorus workers, they put up a remarkably good show.

PLUM OF THE RADIO PUDDING

The brightest-looking programme planned for this year's B.B.C. Christmas is "Festival of Food." And the idea for it comes not from Broadcasting House, but from the North Regional studios.

It is really quite an undertaking. It will present dramatically the preparation of Christmas food, and its producers are appealing to housewives to send them recipes for unusual dishes associated with Christmas.

The onerous part of the work on this production was the examination of the proffered recipes, for, says a B.B.C. official: "Authentic recipes must be tested as to digestive qualities" before they could be "accepted" for the broadcast.

The official would not say who was risking his digestive organs by making the tests. Most material offered for programmes is laid before many censors and officials from the B.B.C.

"It must be remembered," said the B.B.C. official, "that we want out-of-the-ordinary recipes. Christmas puddings, mince pies and turkeys are barred."

If a housewife sends a most unusual recipe, she will be asked to explain it at the microphone personally.

Apart from this very original idea, the radio Christmas plans are not at all striking.

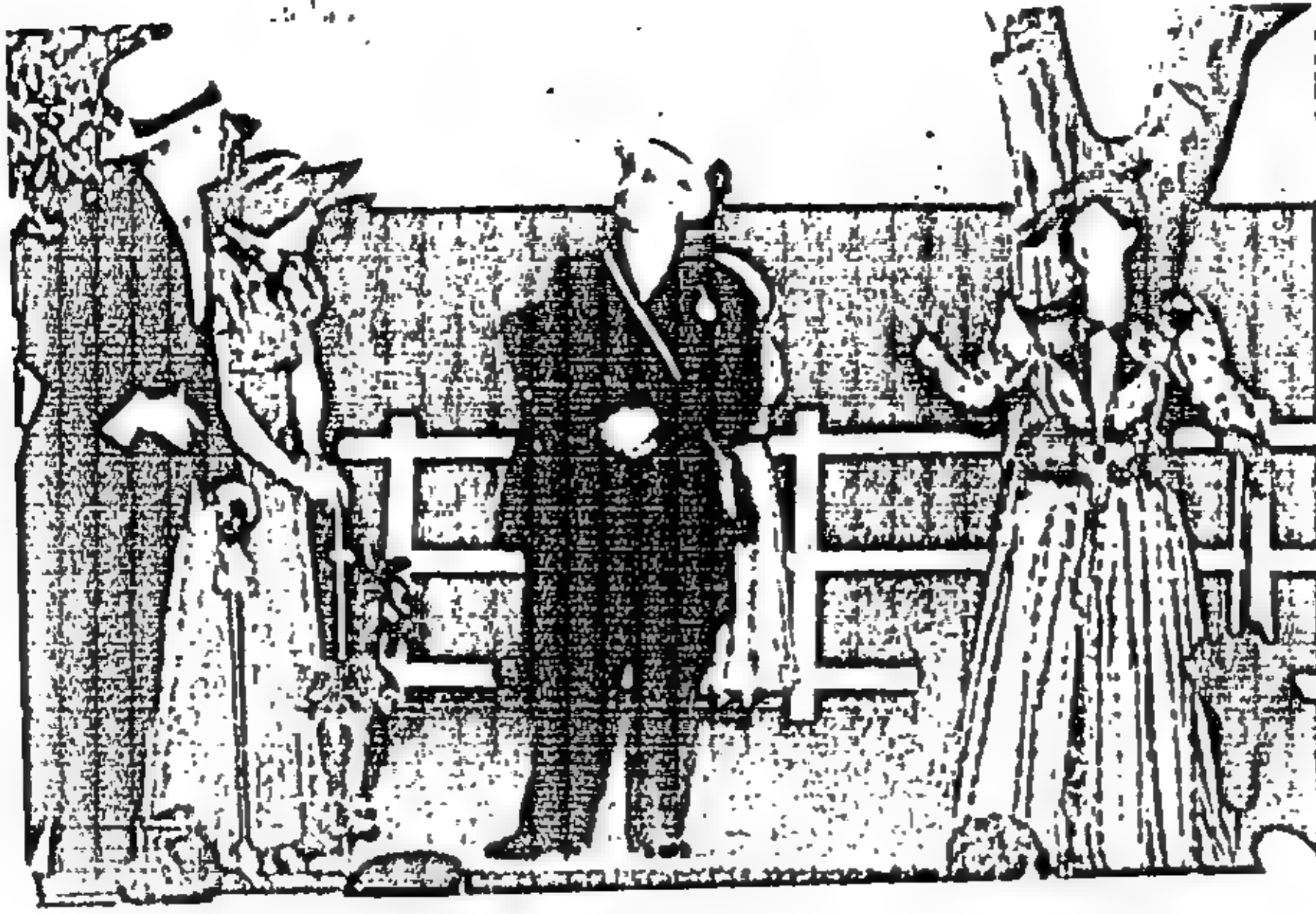
Broadcasting House has put forward not one new idea for the festive programmes. The stars' party, the usual B.B.C. pantomime, some old-fashioned dance music and Christmas Day dinner-time music by the Commodore Orchestra are the only light programmes arranged.

AN OLD TOAST

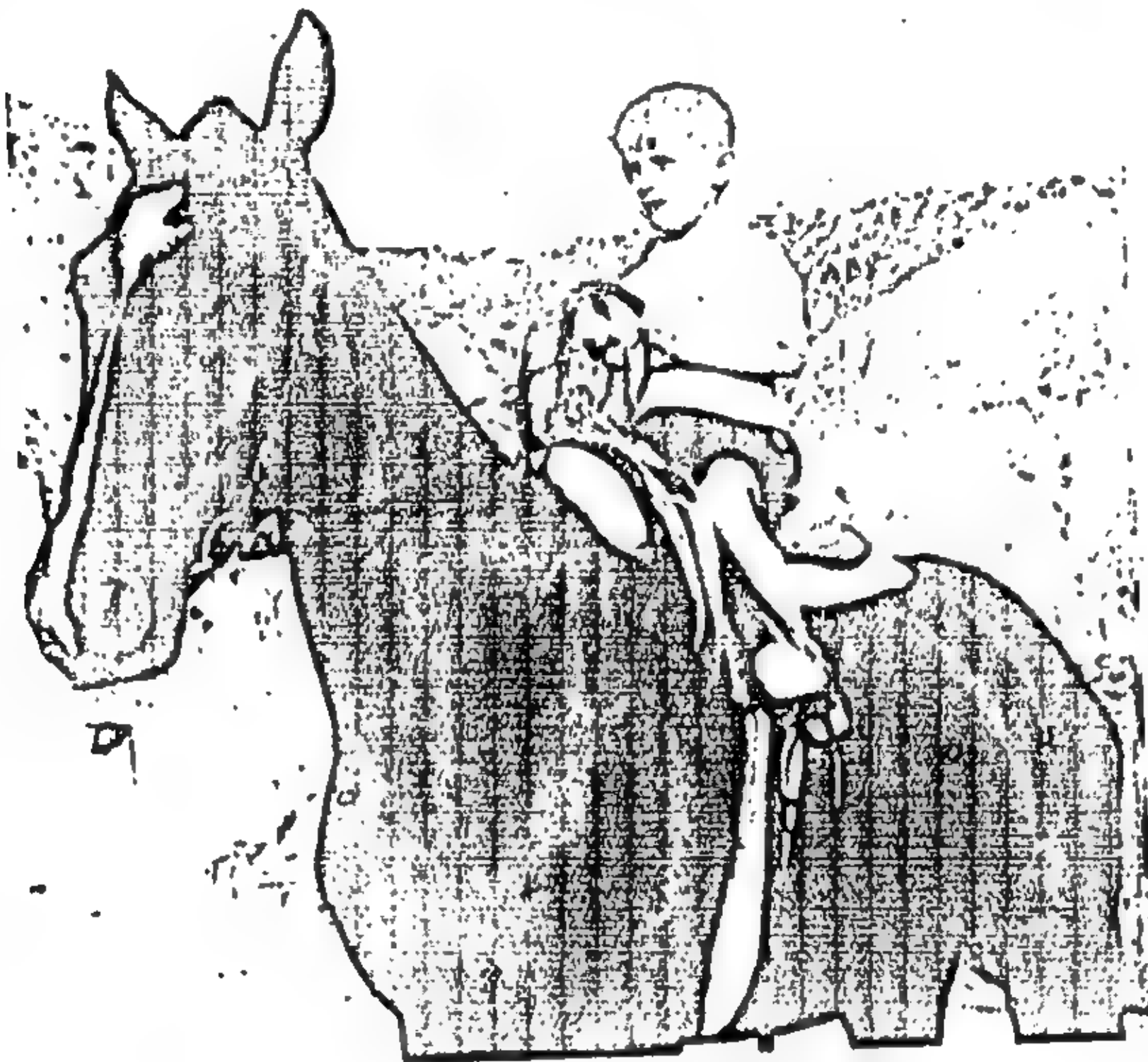
THE following verse has been discovered in an old book by one of our readers, and is suggested as an amusing toast to be proposed at an engagement party:

Health to the girl who can sing
and can dance,
Health to the girl who can paint
and romance,
Health to the girl who is faithful and true,
Whose ways are becoming, whose failings are few.
And last, but not least, I sincerely appeal
For the health to the girl who can cook a good meal.

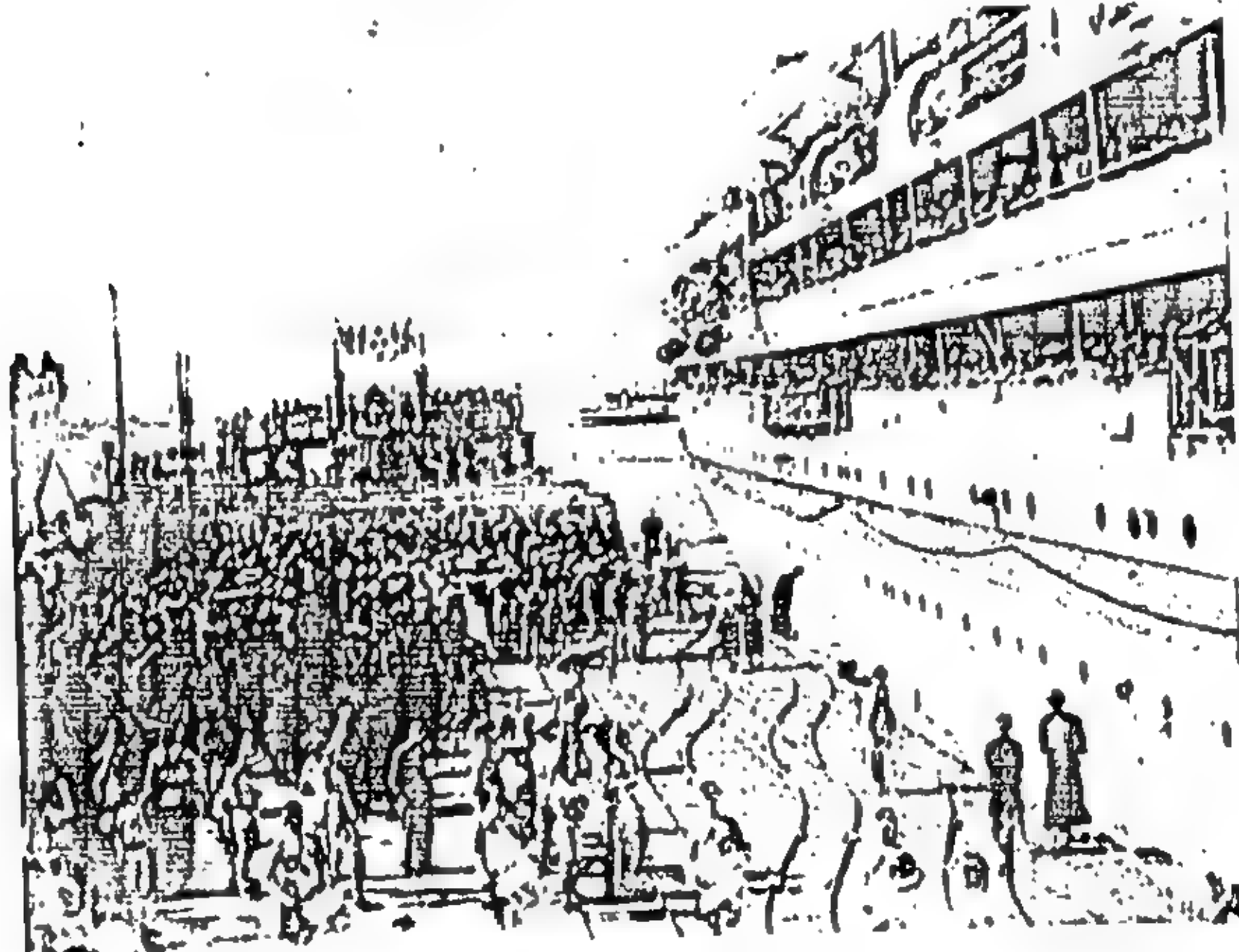
IF tea is spilled on delicate material, smear a little glycerine over the stain and leave for a few hours before washing with soap and water.



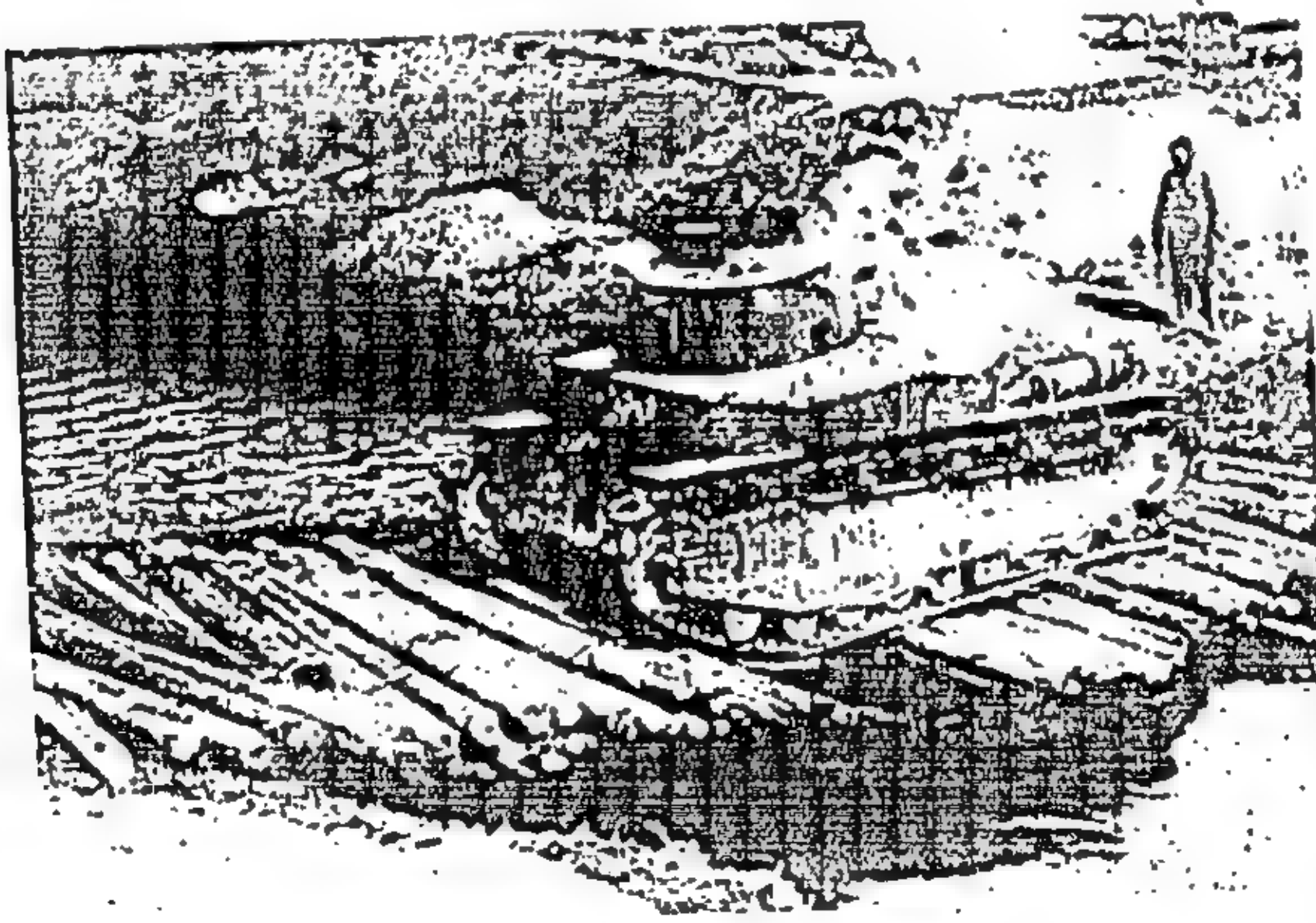
Mr. David Kossick and other members of the "Arcadians" cast, during a comedy scene in the highly successful Philharmonic Society's production. ("Herald" photo).



Young Master Tutz on his sturdy steed at Capt. Litvinoff's training stables.



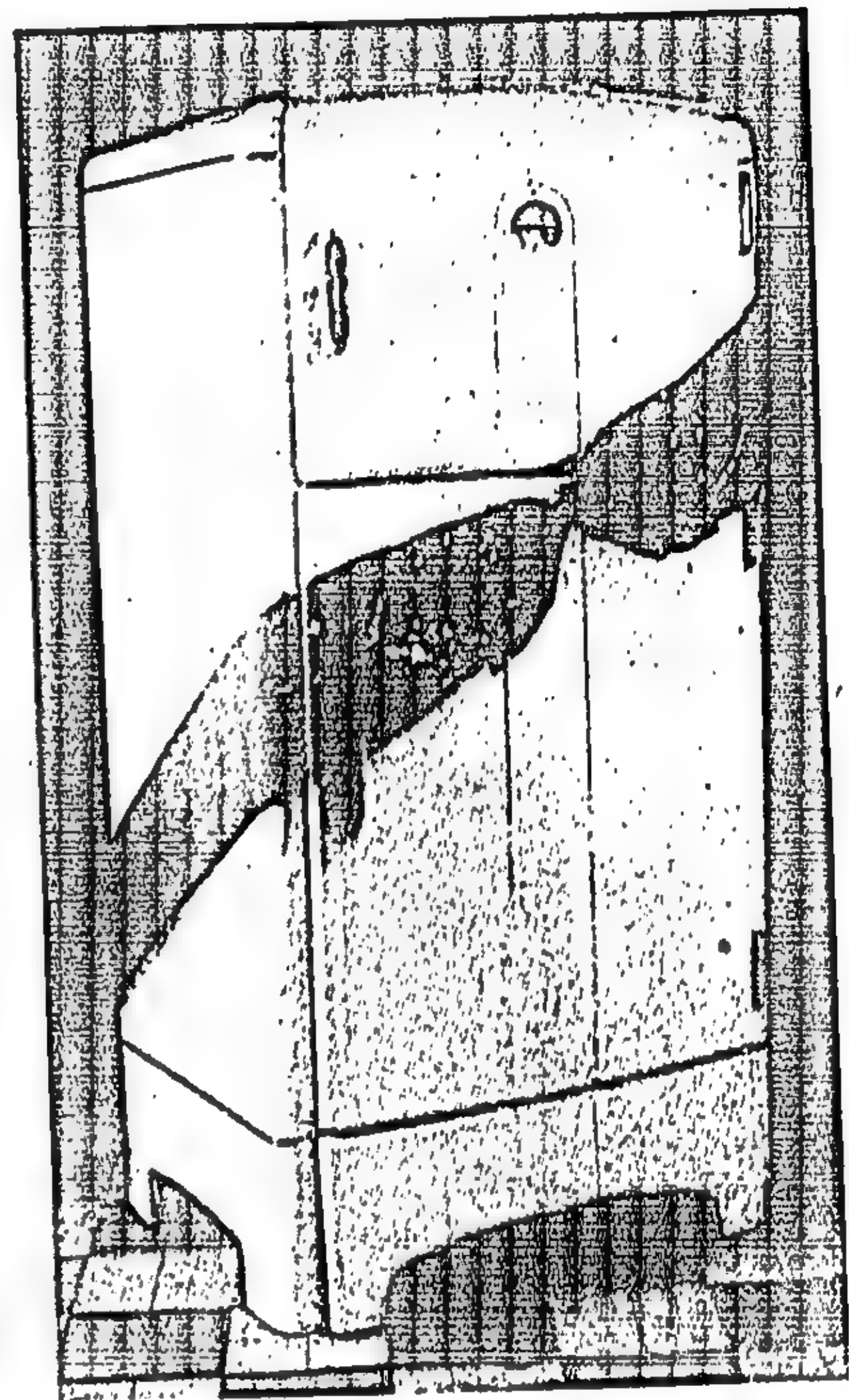
The departure of the transport "Dilwara" with the Royal Ulster Rifles for India. ("Herald" photo).



A Chinese tank crossing a creek in action during the recent fighting in the Kiangying-Wusih sector.



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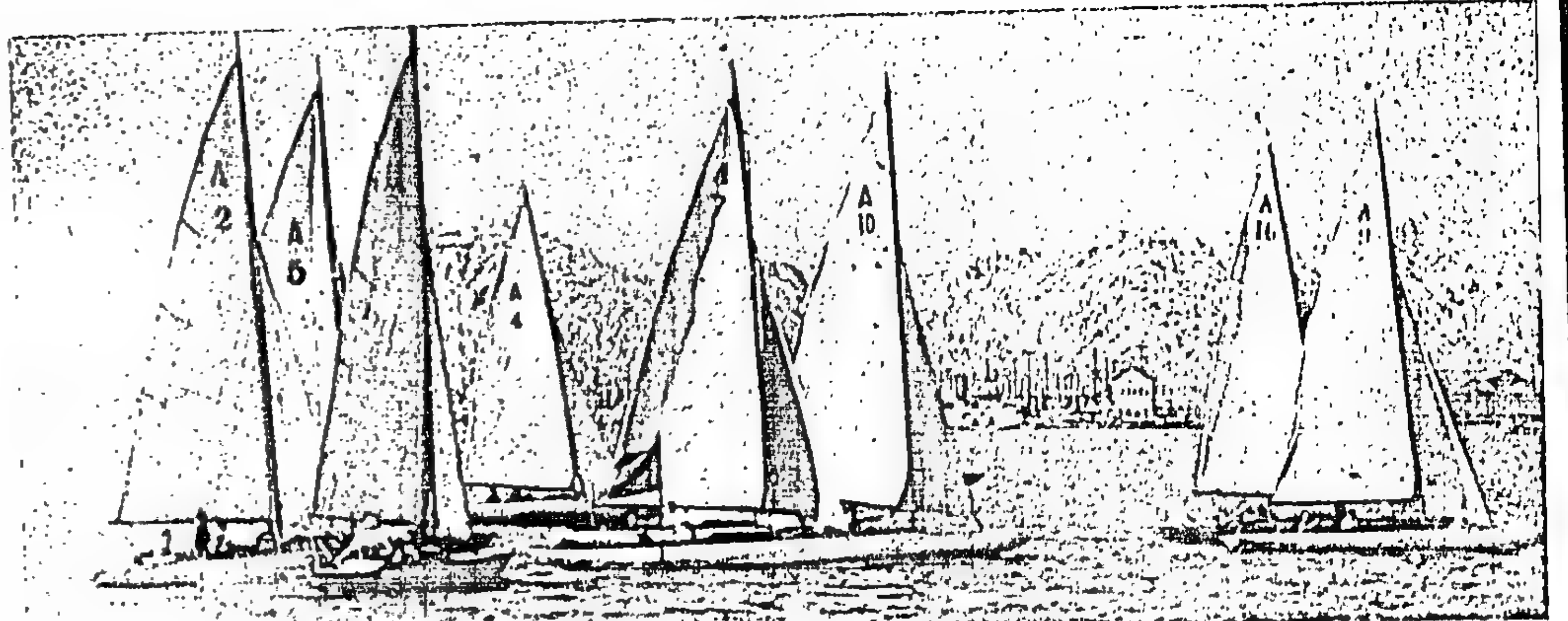
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Mr. and Mrs. A. J. H. MacDonald after their wedding at the Peak Church. The bride was formerly Miss Doreen Edwards. (Ming Yuen).



Mrs. Chiu Chun-chiu, who with Miss Rose Perry, won the Colony Ladies' Doubles title at the U.S.R.C. ("Herald" photo).

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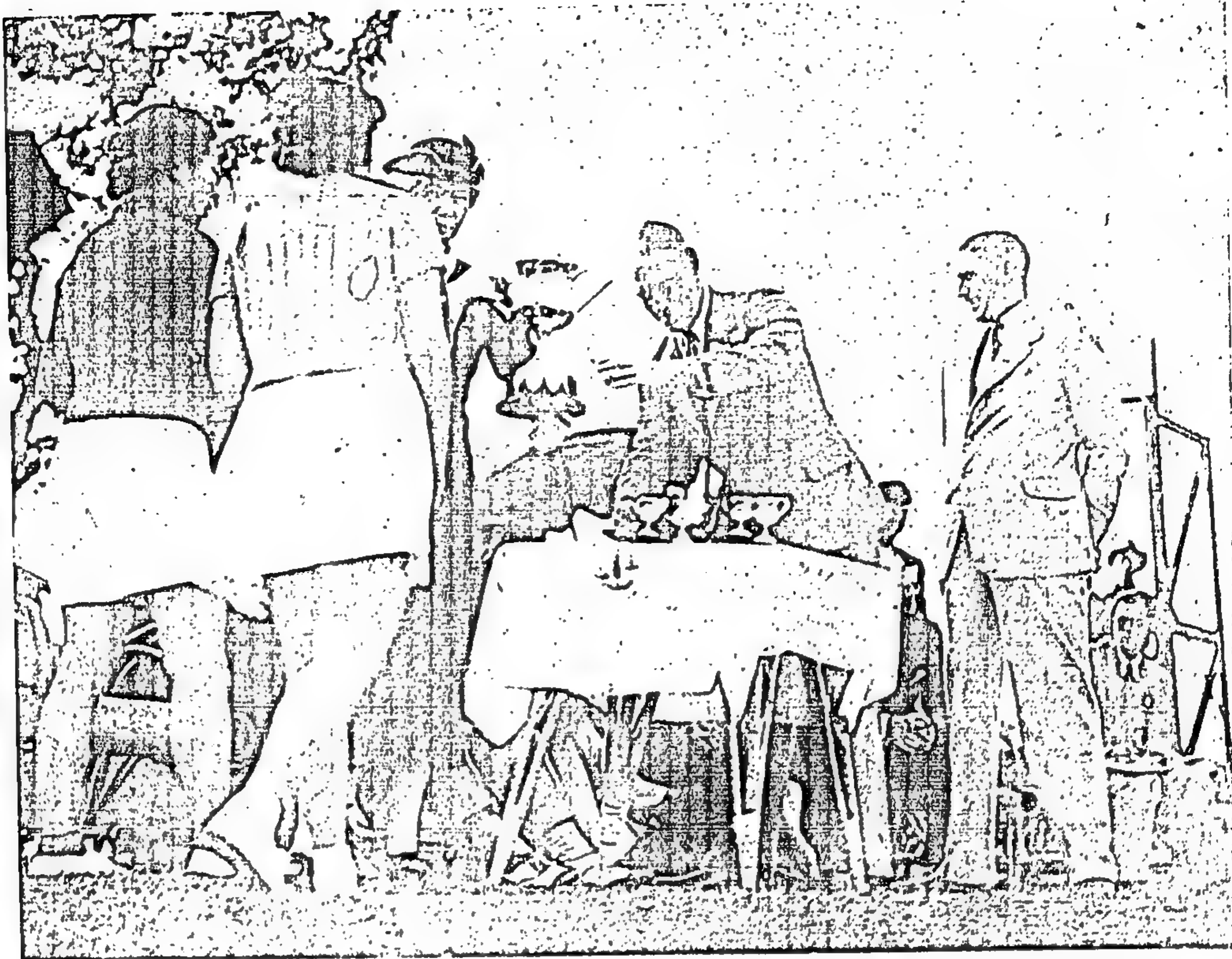
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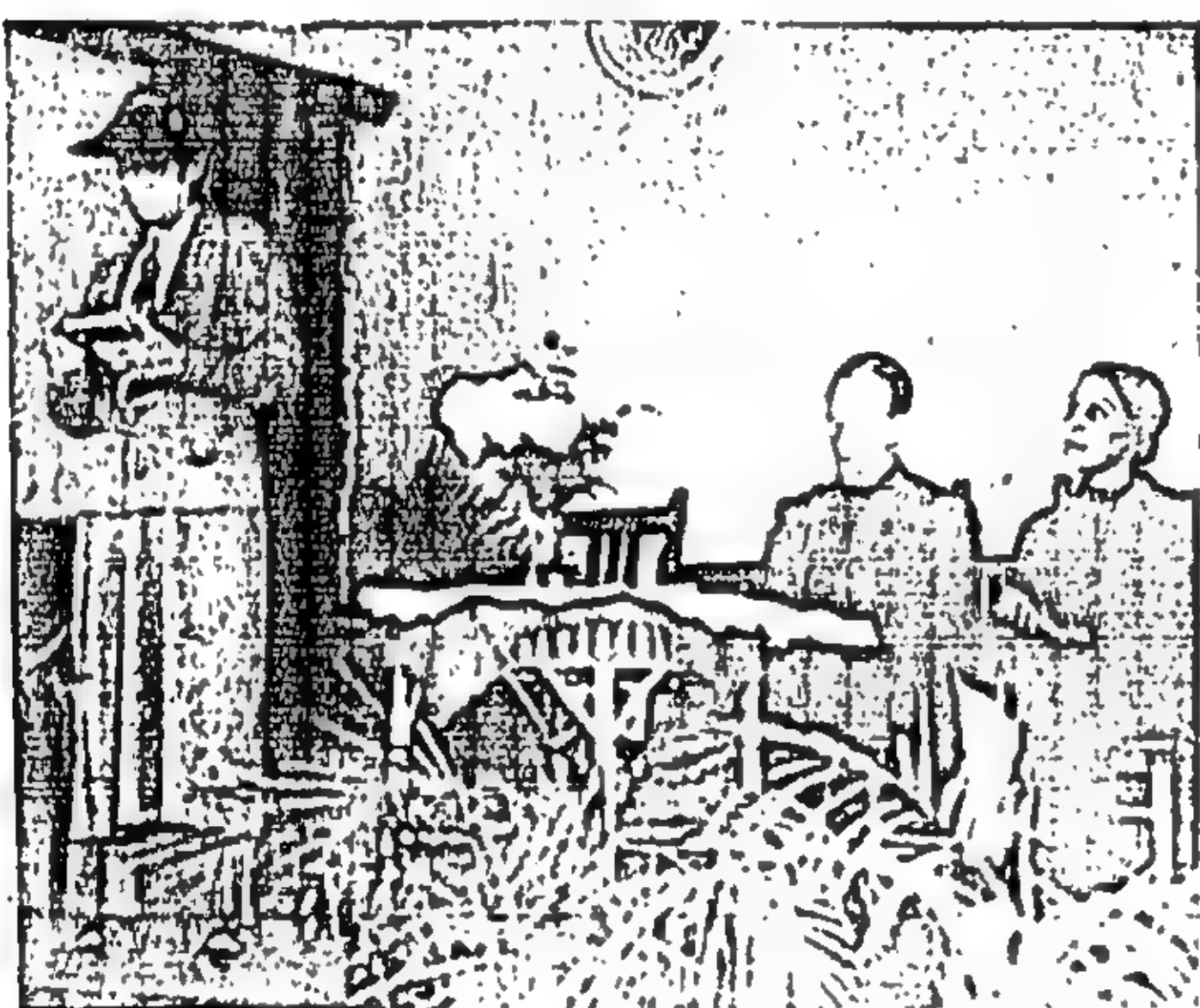
One of the stalls taken at the Charity Fair held by the H. K. Chinese Women's Relief Association. ("Herald" photo).



Group photo taken at the Charity Fair.



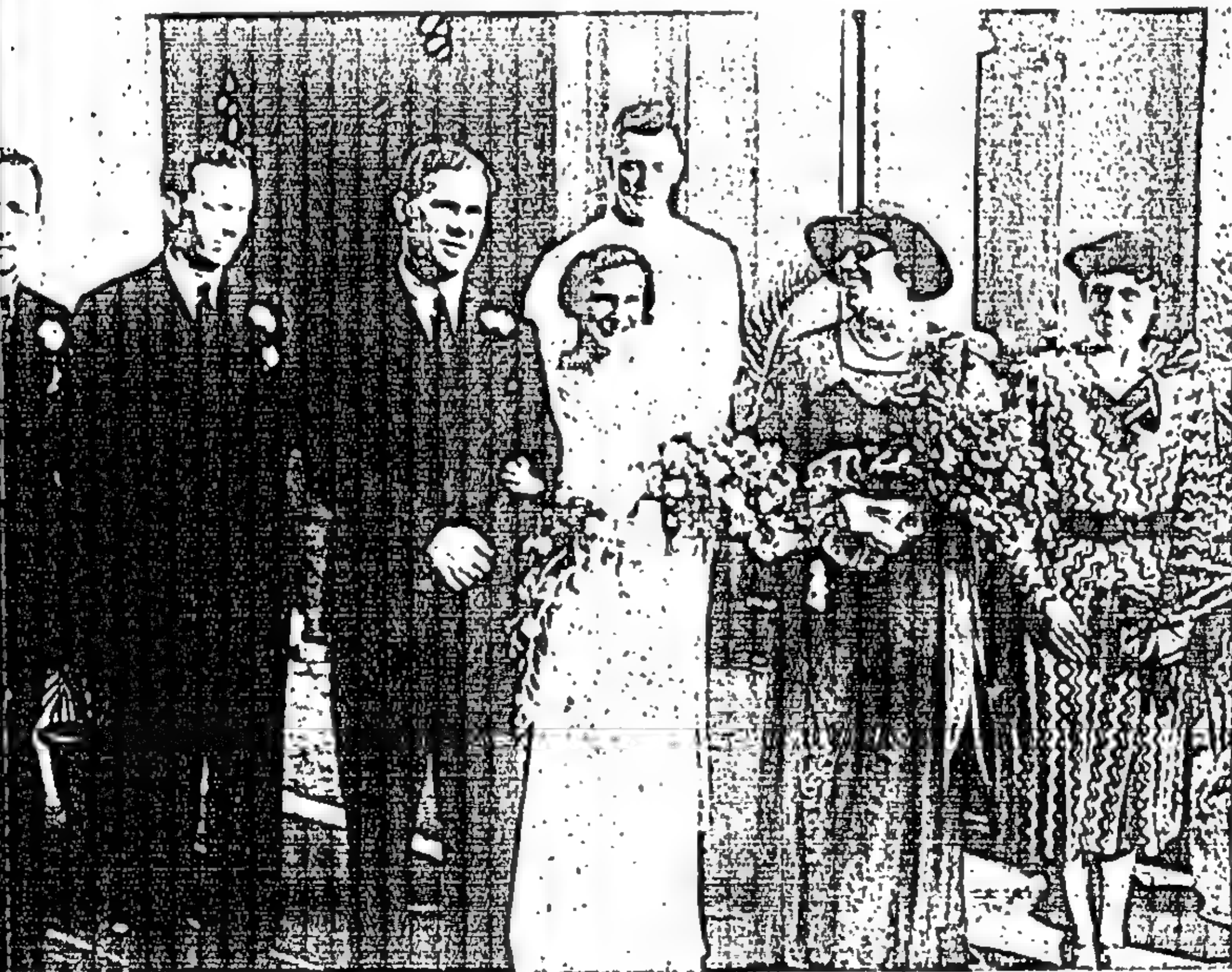
Lady Northcote presenting trophies to Mrs. Chiu Chun chiu and Miss Rose Perry, winners of the Colony Ladies' Doubles title. ("Herald" photo).



Lady Pollock opening St. Andrew's Bazaar. ("Herald" photo).



Calling for three cheers for Lady Northcote after she had presented the trophies to the Colony's lady tennis champions at the U.S.R.C. ("Herald" photo).



After the wedding of Mr. W. F. Kerr, the well-known Rugby player, and Miss Margaret MacPeak Church. ("Herald" photo).

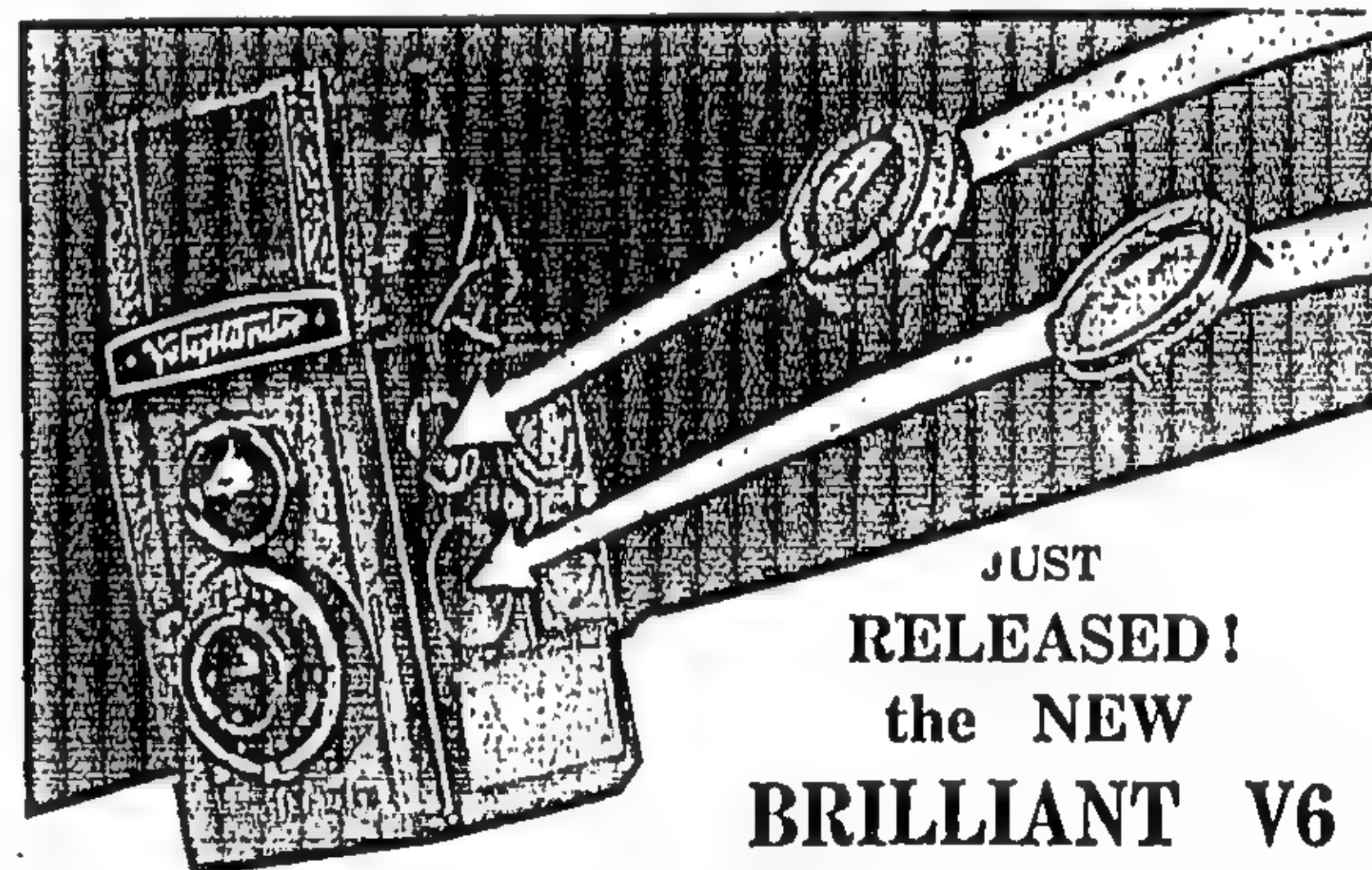
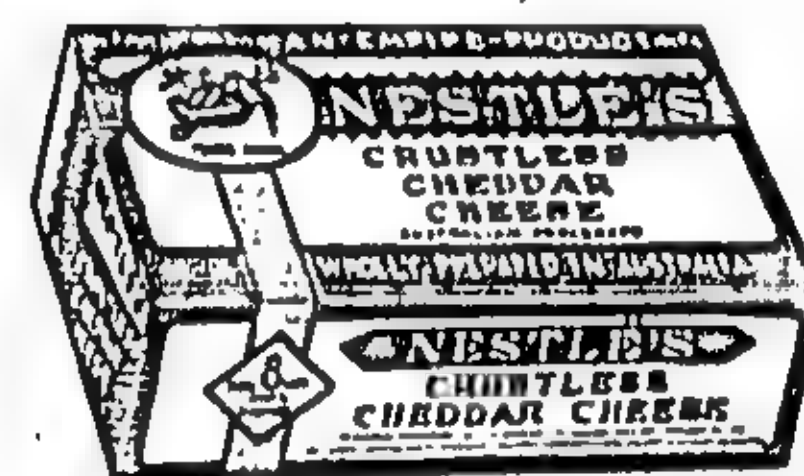
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About TOWN

THERE was something slightly comical about the way members of the Government tried to repair the King's Speech blunder on the League. All its experience teaches it that it is good business to take its hat off occasionally to Geneva. To a large extent it owes its very existence to the fact that it said at the last election that the League was the sheet-anchor of its foreign policy. On the first day's debate on the Address, therefore, there was a horrified recognition on the Treasury Bench that someone had blundered when Mr. Attlee and Sir Archibald Sinclair pointed to the absence from the King's Speech of any reference to the League.

Mr. Eden, Lord Cranborne, and others rushed, in almost breathlessly to declare that the omission proved that the Government believed more profoundly in the League than if it had mentioned it. The omission only showed that it took the League for granted, just as it took the moon and the stars and the British Constitution.

Mr. Chamberlain To The Rescue

The Prime Minister was kept out of the debate through illness. His first opportunity to undo the blunder—which was probably more his than anybody else's—came at the Guildhall banquet, and he seized it, as it seemed, with a guilty petulance. The Government was not of those who had to keep repenting the name of the League in order not to forget it.

Its faith in the League was

deeper than that, and it would be deeper still if only the League's effectiveness could be increased, and the Government must therefore aim at increasing its effectiveness in order to "enable it to carry out fearlessly and successfully the purposes for which it was originally founded." All of which, of course, would have made an admirable passage in the King's Speech.

Lord Baldwin In The City

On leaving the House of Lords after having taken his seat there last summer Lord Baldwin went up to a friend in the Central Lobby and said: "That's the most nerve-racking experience I have ever been through." It is a strange confession for a man who had the nerve to "spring" the 1923 election, who did not flinch before the general strike, and who seemed the calmest man in the House of Commons when announcing a king's abdication.

Then he went into the City to receive from it an address in a golden casket, and probably had a more nerve-racking experience still. But he would never make it a complaint that he had suffered this private torture in either case to secure a bauble. His well-developed historic sense, his Burke-like reverence for continuity, and both joined to his poetic feeling have no doubt allowed him a fuller prospective and retrospective satisfaction in the two events than most men would find. The "nerves" of the occasion itself are as nothing to that.

A Revealing Trait

But it is nevertheless revealing, this nervousness. How many Lord Boudierbys (if we may enable Dickens's character) have stepped into their scarlet and genuine without a tremor, unless it was a tremor of indignation that so deserved an honour had been withheld so long. But Lord Baldwin is nervous when he does it. And what is more, he confesses to it, so that he is differentiated both from the Lord Boudierbys of the thick hide and from the other type of triumphant public man who, not much less sensitive than Lord Baldwin, would scarcely acknowledge even to himself and never to another soul that he had been so shaken.

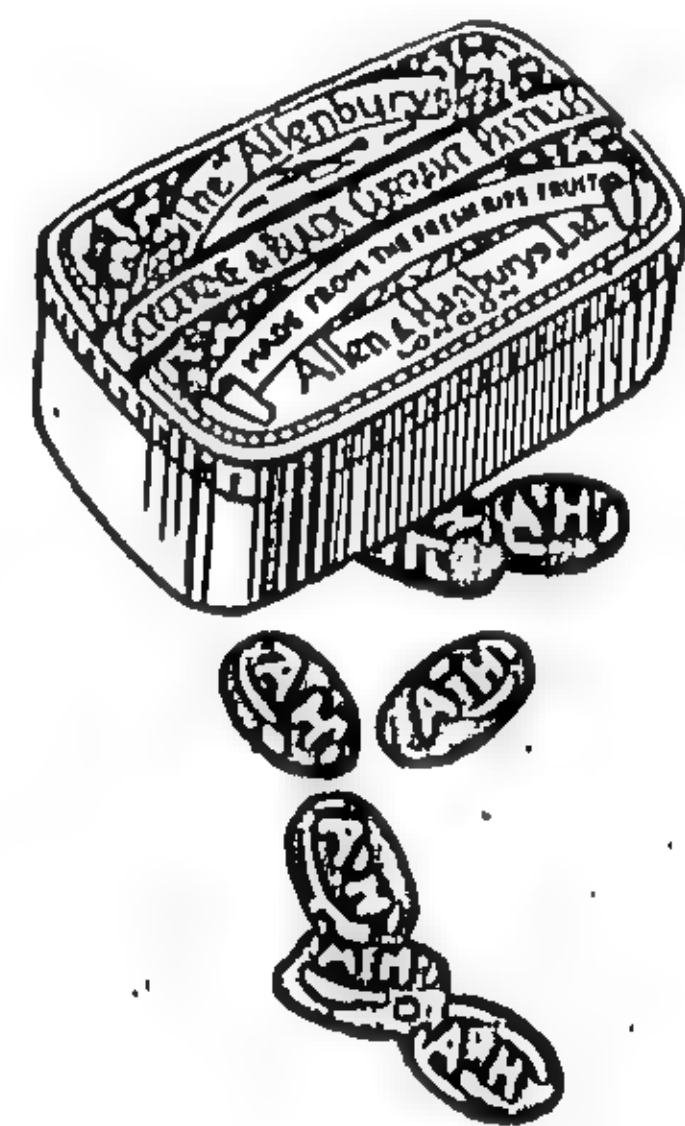
It is just one more illustration of that sublimated ordinariness which makes Lord Baldwin unique among politicians and at the same time one with common folk.

Enter The Auspice

In course of time we have lost most of the more or less English words that were derived from the Latin "Auspex," who was a professional diviner who read the omens by observing the flight and behaviour of birds. "Auspicate," "auspication," "auspicator," and the rest are all obsolete—although, seeing the amount of revived interest which is now taken in astrology, it would never come as much of a surprise if one of

our enterprising "national circulations" decided to revive the superstitious possibilities of auspication and to run a tame auspicator whose twittering column could give birdlike counsel to registered readers. But for the present only "auspices" survives in general use, where it is apt to be worked to death and seldom applied, even in the sense of an ordinary omen, with the precision of Macaulay's "a life which had opened under the fairest auspices." Nevertheless, since the genius of the advancing English tongue has decided to sack the other auspiciatory associations of the Latin root, a compensating process is evidently at work and the surviving "auspices" is given an increasing amount of work to do. In the King's Bench Division a witness recently used the word in its singular form; and, not unnaturally, the less learned judge inquired "What is an auspice?" The reply of the witness was prompt and explicit: "An auspice," said he, "is a guinea given to the man who originally introduces business."

And so the good work of extending the range of the English tongue goes on.



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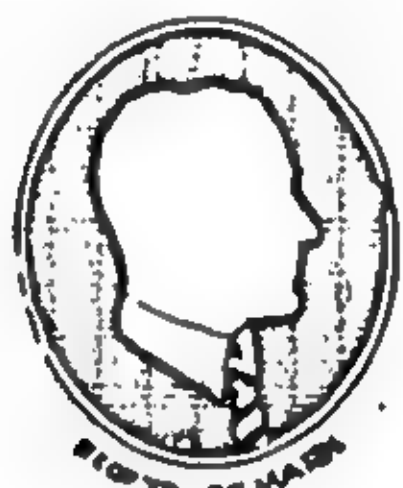
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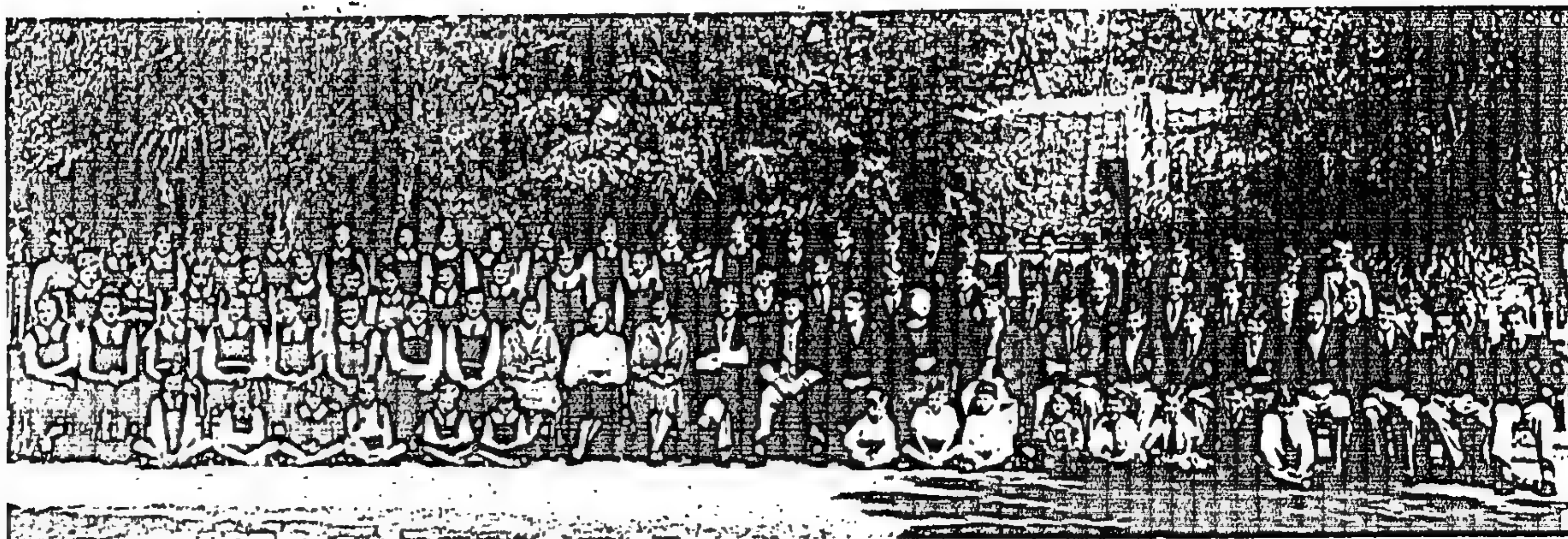
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Aims Of The University

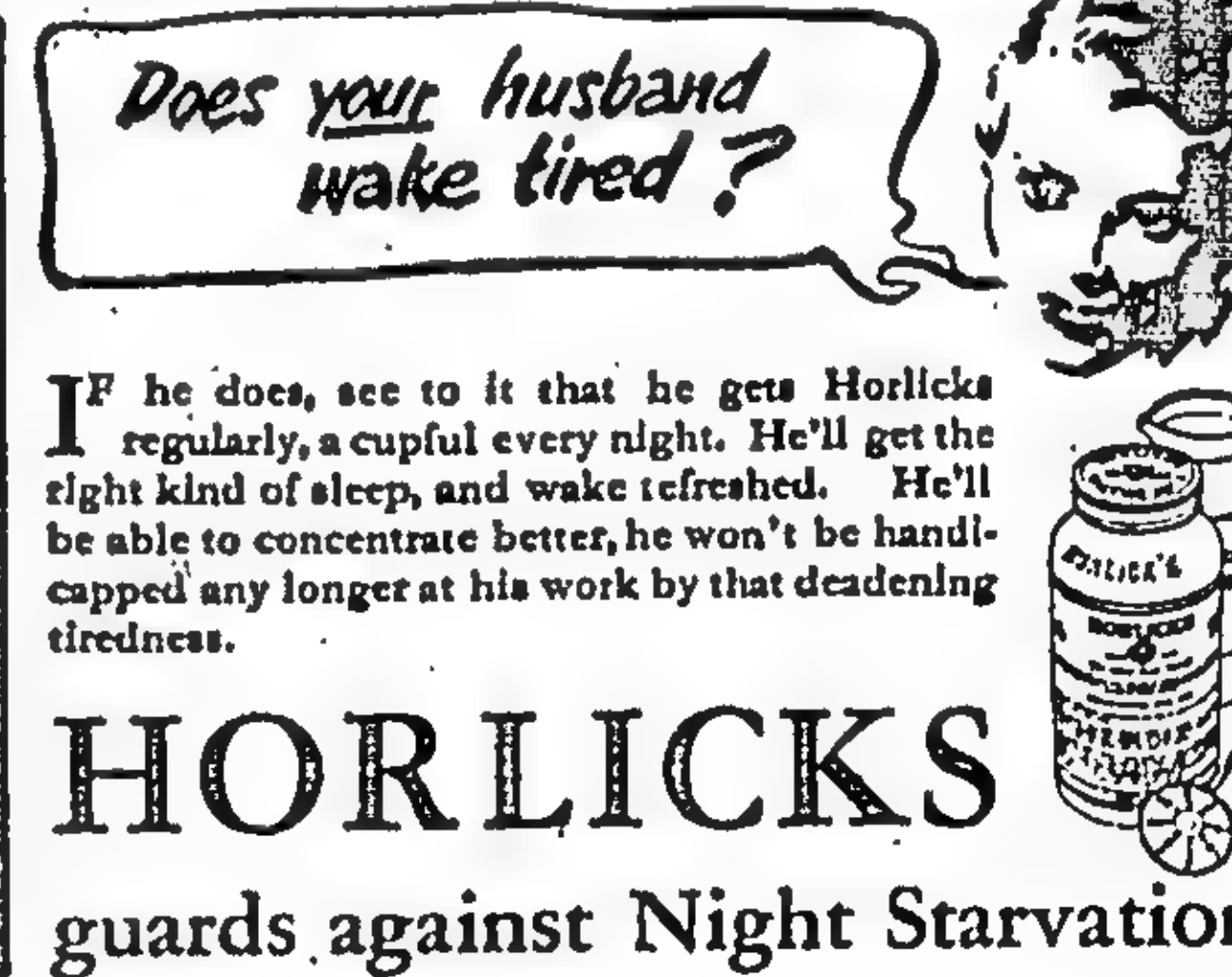
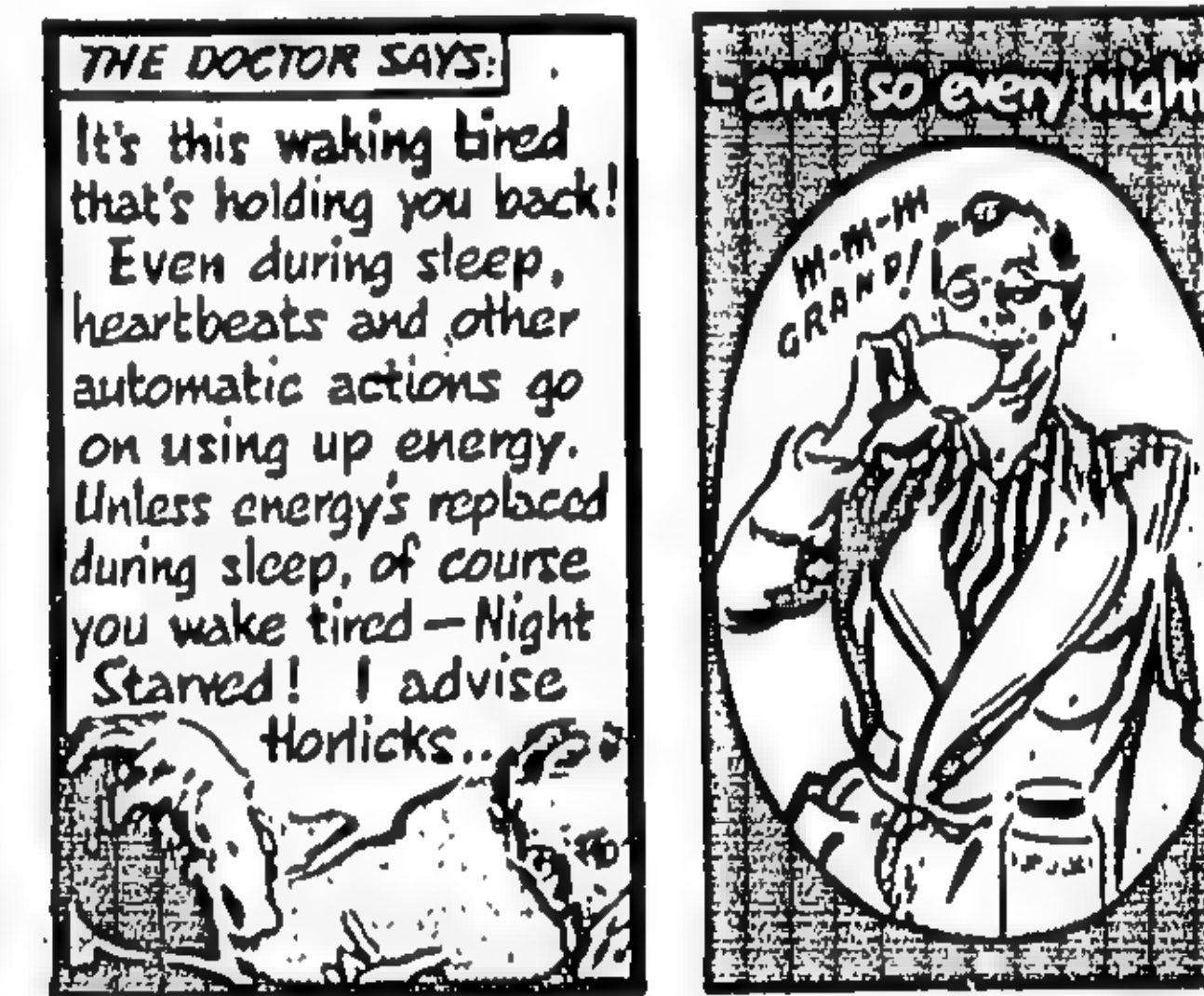
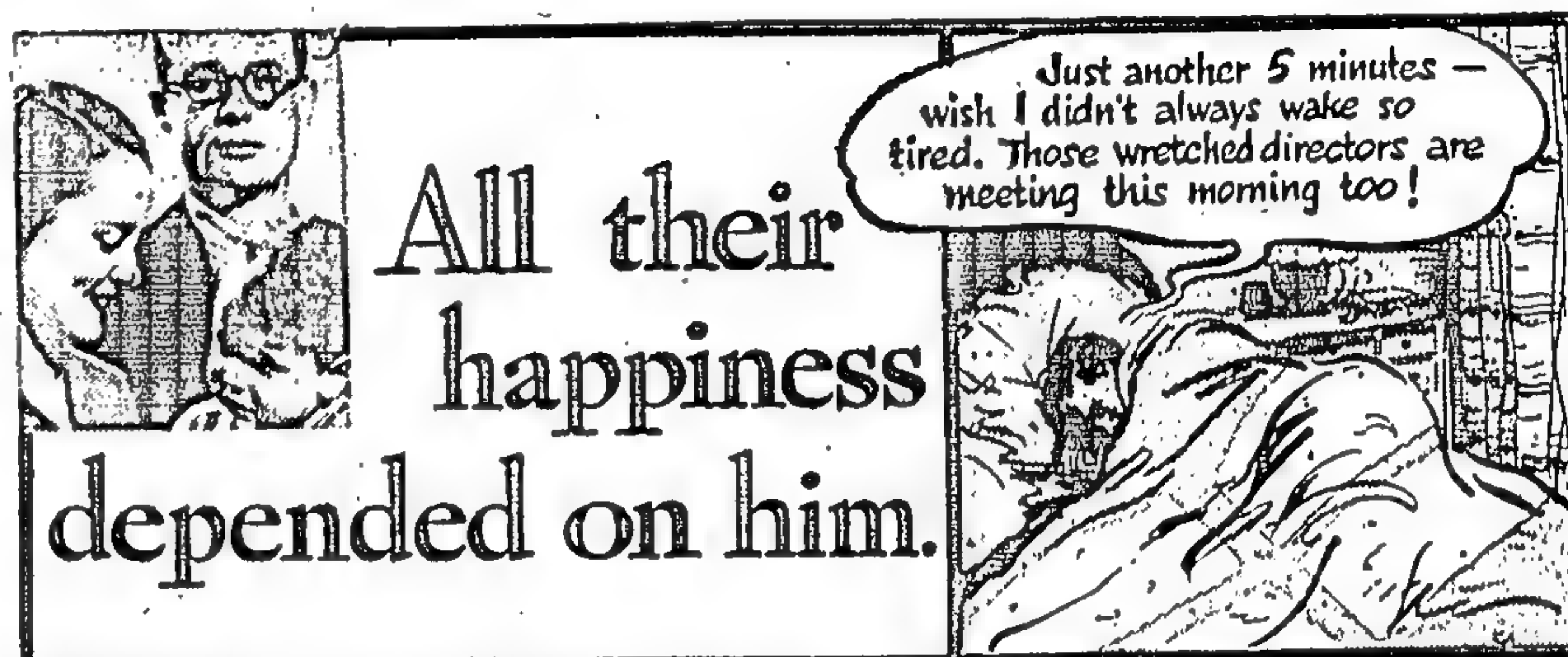
SPEAKING at the spring graduation at Aberdeen University last week, Principal W. Hamilton Fyfe said that their aim in the University was nothing in the least like mass production. They would fail utterly in their attempt if the product of the University were standardised and recognisable.

"Our job," he said, "is rather to recognise and foster your infinite variety of mind and character, and, to the best of our ability, to ensure to each of you opportunity to develop into the best of which you are capable. I hope that during your years here you have grown more unlike each other and have rather healthily developed your own individual personality. It is the prime object of education to assist that development.

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WHILE the League of Nations is pondering the problem of Palestine, now a torn and mangled thing under control hardly less rigid than martial law, there is appearing a crop of books and pamphlets dealing with the problem, a few of them impartial, the majority, inevitably, biased.

"What HAS been happening in Palestine?" (Frederick Muller), by M. P. Walters, falls into the latter category, but should not be disregarded solely for this reason. It is impossible to overlook the weaknesses of the British Administration there in the past 15 years — the Commission report is a frank admission of failure — and Mr. Walters has rubbed it in without mercy.

He accuses a distinguished and conscientious British Commission of taking a good look at both sides of the Palestine problem — and running away from it.

Documents Of War

W. F. Morris's "Bretherton" was, in the opinion of many, the finest novel that emerged from the mass of war-books suggested, one might say, by "All Quiet on the Western Front." Unlike Remarque's book "Bretherton" was no document of the dead but in the story that is told, in a fierce spirit of futility comparable to the German masterpiece, its effect was every bit as startling.

Books like "Not So Quiet," "W.A.A.C." and Richard Blaker's "Medal Without Bar" were pale imitations of "All Quiet"; "Bretherton" was on a plane apart, for it was fiction shot with deadly realism and a startling climax. It was followed by "Behind the Lines" and by "Pagan" (another fine novel, in which carefree adventure was almost blighted by a grim war memory).

And then came "Hold-Up," a story similar to Dornford Yates's later novels of dashing romance and thrills with Continental villains in mountain fastnesses. By this time, however, W. F. Morris had made a name for himself.



His Excellency, Sir Geoffrey Northcote arriving at the St. Louis Industrial Home at Aberdeen last week when he unveiled a statue of the late Mr. Fung Ping-shan. ("Herald" photo)

A Splendid Tale

Now he has written "No Turning Back." So-called topical novels, dealing with wars in foreign countries, stunt inventions and other items which provide excuses for slipshod work turned out at speed, usually fall very flat. But "No Turning Back," based as it is on the war in Spain and the way in which it turned a young tourist's life from the narrow path of commonplace, escapes this charge.

It is a splendid tale of adventure, courage and comradeship — qualities which may seem rather out of place in an effete 20th century word — and a clear-cut picture of events on land and sea in that holocaust. (It is not Mr. Morris's fault that the Sino-Japanese war has attracted attention from the West to the East).



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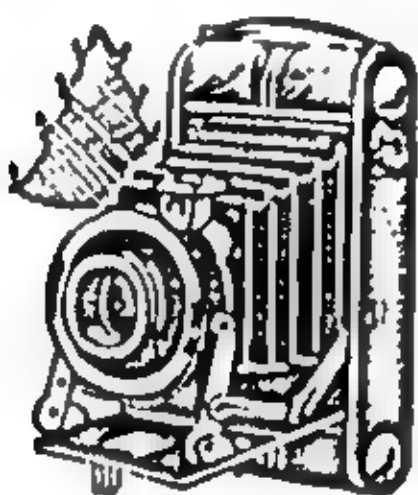


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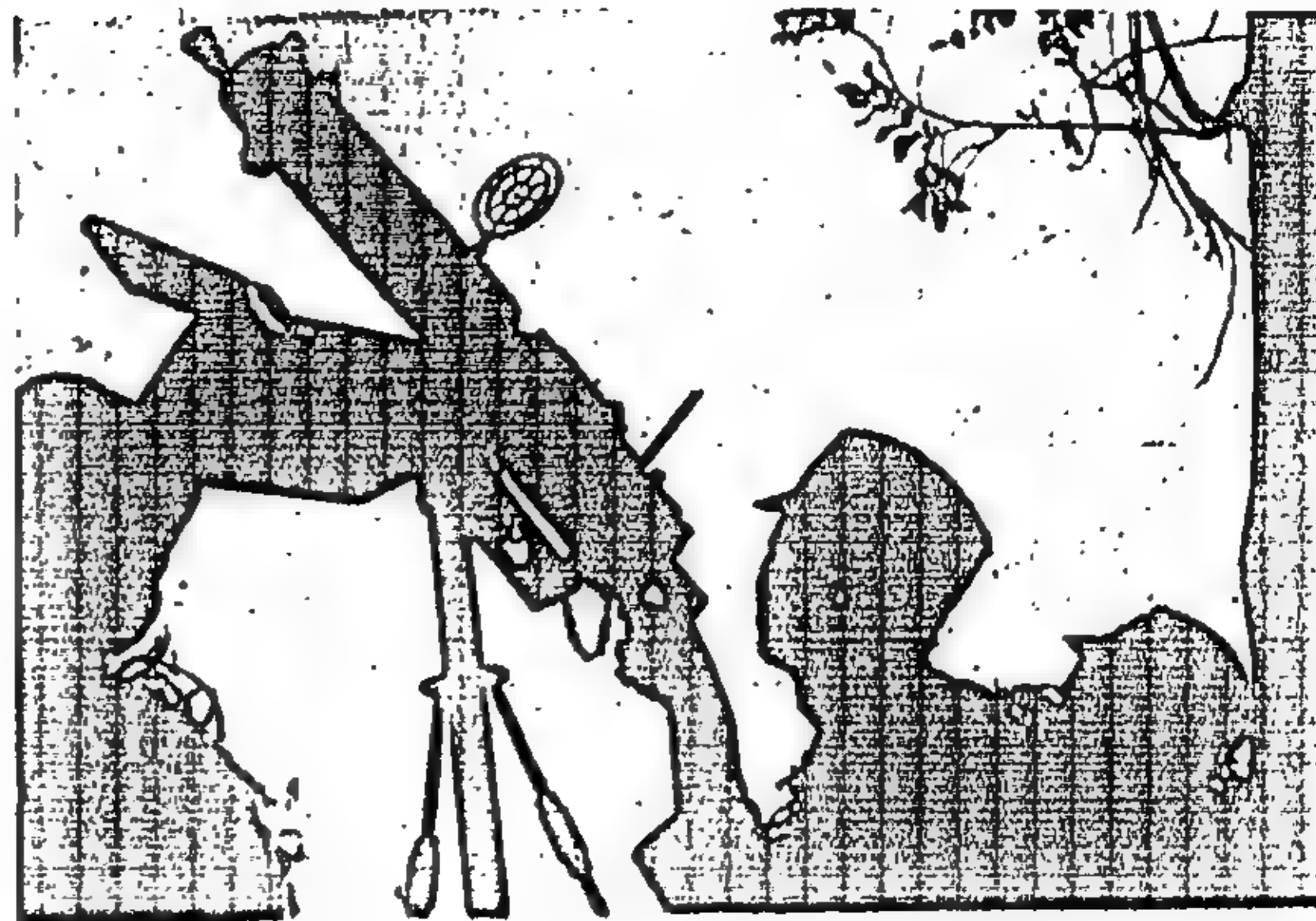
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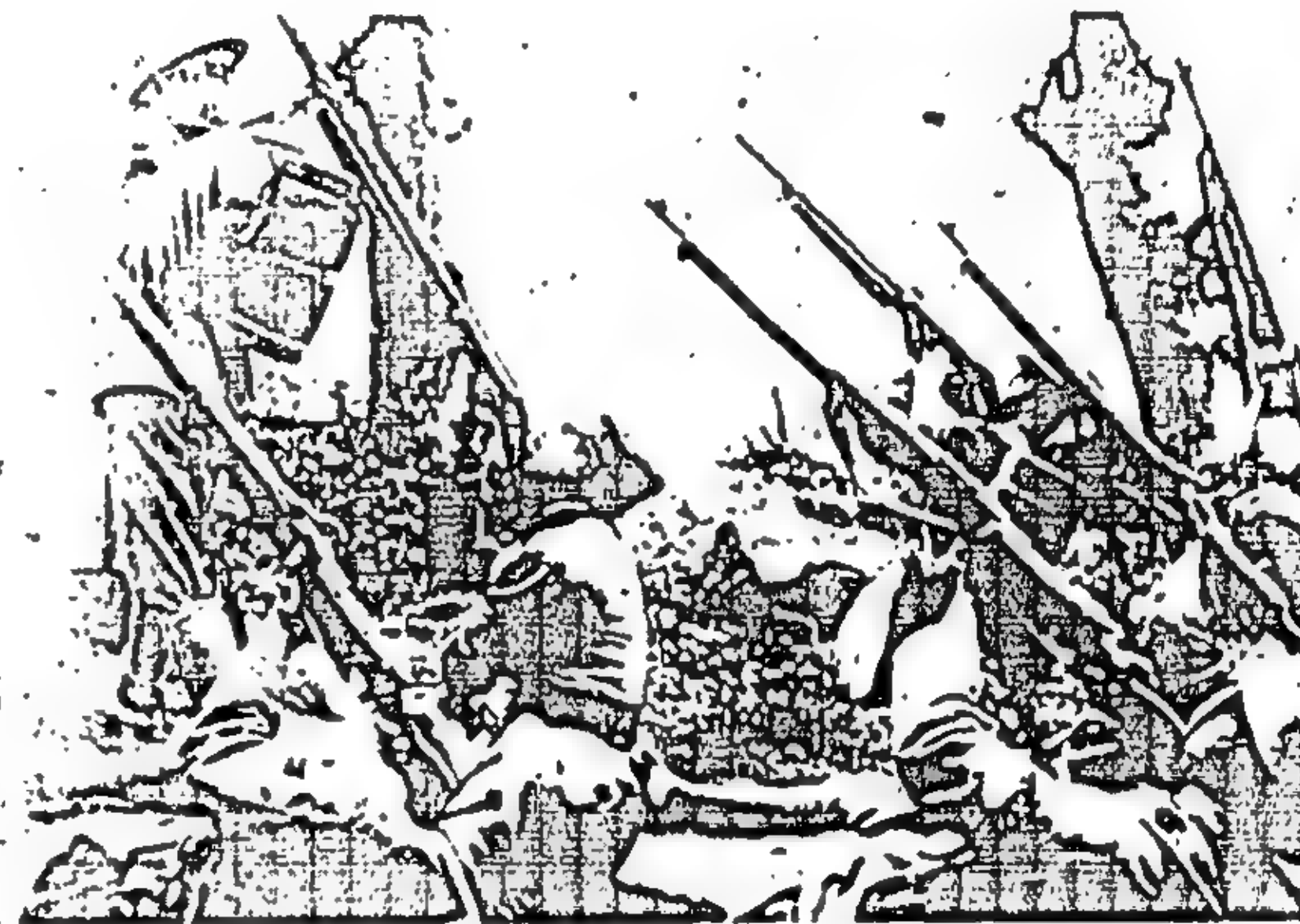
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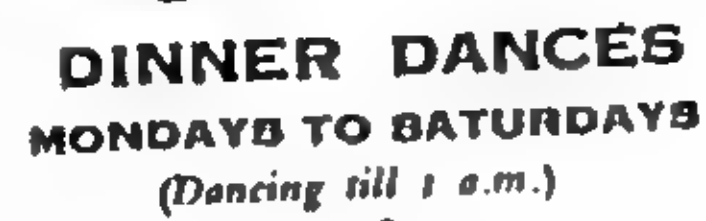
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F. X. Delgado, Craigengower lawn bowler, has been appointed manager of the Portuguese International football team to meet England on December 27.

Ablong, former Liga Portuguesa footballer, who was not able to obtain a place in the Portuguese Sporting Association team this season, has transferred to the Kowloon Football Club and played for them last week.

Graeme D. Nicol, former Shanghai Interport Rugby captain and a well-known Shanghai golfer, who spent a brief holiday in the Colony, returned to Shanghai last Monday by the m.v. Victoria.

"Bernie" Johnson, third sacker for the softball team of the H.K. Baseball Club, left for Shanghai last week.

Davis and Wicks, of the Texas Company, will be turning out regularly for the H.K. Baseball Club during the rest of the softball season.

After heavy pressure of duty, Dave Walker is again turning out for the Baseball Club on Sundays. He is showing great form these days.

A. V. Gosano, former soccer idol, has now become very keen on cricket and is showing rapid improvement. He tells me that in two years Recreio will probably be able to field two of the strongest elevens in the Colony.



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Prata.

I hear that there is every prospect of the Rugby Interport between Hong Kong and Shanghai at Hong Kong next Chinese New Year matrilialling. Hong Kong have sent an invitation to the Northern Club, but have not yet had a reply, although rumours from the North seem to indicate that, although the political unrest has had its effect on business houses, several of Shanghai's stalwarts will be able to make the trip South.

It is not generally known, but Hong Kong have met Tientsin twice at soccer in Triangular affairs held in Shanghai, A. V. and B. T. Gosno, brothers, having played for the Catalans in both the 1930 and 1931 matches. Chris Pile also played in both matches, as a full-back in the former and left-half in the latter. The teams for these two matches were: 1930—G. Rodgers; B. Reeves and C. Pile; G. Hedley; A. Remedios and S. West; B. T. Gosno, A. V. Gosno, L. Goldman, M. D. Scott and Butcher; and 1934 W. McHardy; S. Strange and A. Allen; Leung Wing-chiu, N. Boltrau and C. Pile; B. T. Gosno, Tam Kong-pak, A. V. Gosno, R. Ridley and L. W. Hoggard.



A. V. Gosano is now giving his undivided attention to cricket.

Rfm. Irwin and Pte. Duffield, both well-known Army footballers, and Lt. T. B. H. Otway, former H.K. Area Hockey Secretary, were also passengers for Home on the Transport Dilwara.



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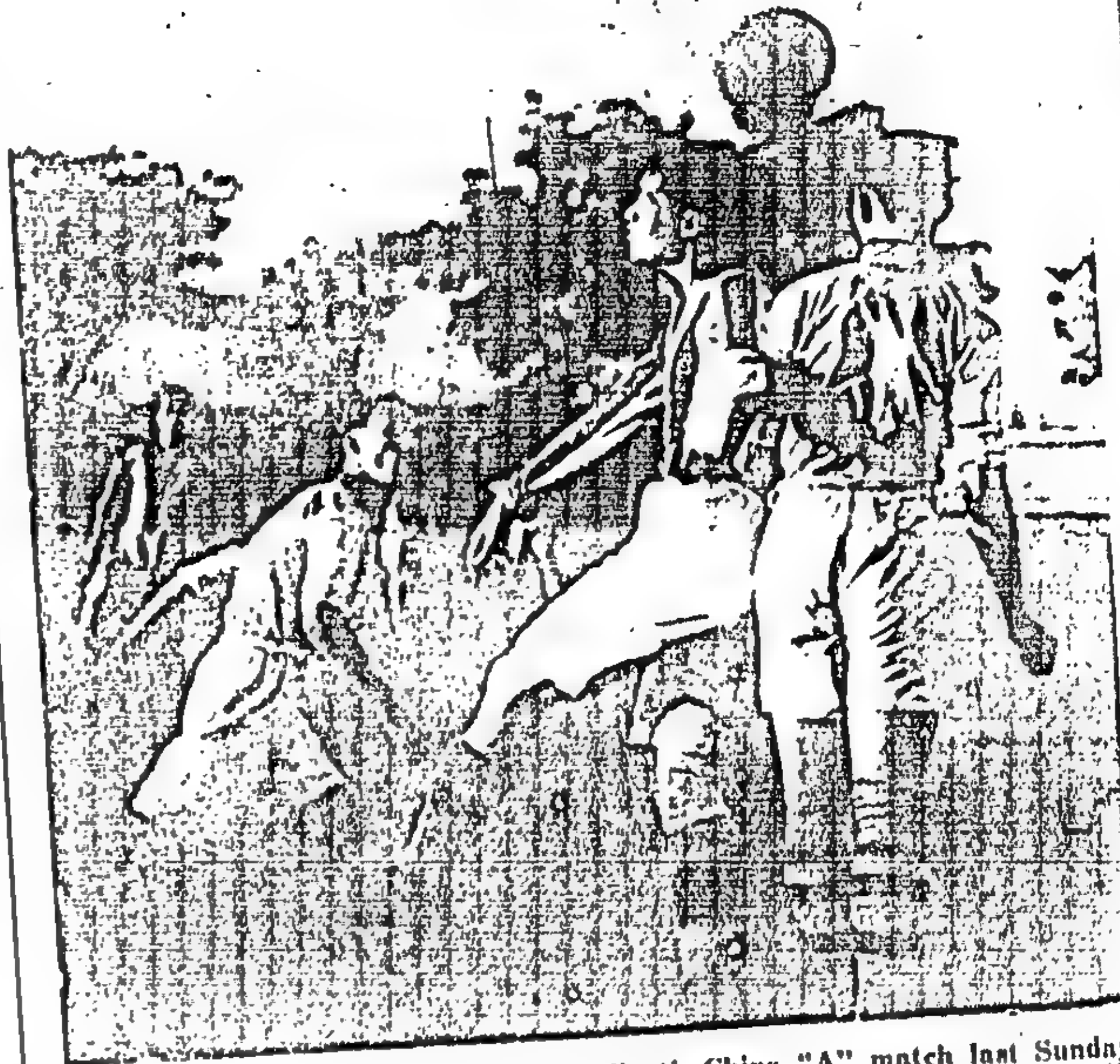


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Up to the ball in the Eastern v. South China "A" match last Sunday when South China won a rather scrappy game by three goals to nil. ("Herald" photo).

Prominent Sportswomen Leave By Dilwara

With the departure of the Troopship Dilwara a week ago last Friday, Hong Kong lost several outstanding personalities of the local sports world, among these being Mrs. Ashton, a member of the U.S.R.C. Mixed Doubles Tennis League team, the Misses Hamon, members of the R.U.R. Ladies' hockey team, Miss Olive Smith, of the C.B.A. Ladies' junior eleven, Pte. Hughes, the R.A.M.C. breast-stroke swimmer and Hong Kong Area breast-stroke champion, and Cpl. Harrison, the Army and Colony Rugby wing-forward.

FASTER THAN PEREIRA!

I was told by members of the Volunteer team who played a whole-day cricket match against the Navy recently that Sub-Lt. Kyrie who made one of his rare appearances on the cricket field, is some yards faster than Frank Pereira, acknowledged to have been one of the fastest bowlers ever to have played in the Colony.

In view of the unexpected reverse suffered by K. C. C. juniors in their League cricket match against the I. R. C., the news that Pat O'Neill Dunne has arrived in the Colony on a visit of about a month should prove of great interest to the cricket authorities of that Club. Dunne has played quite a lot in Singapore during his absence.

It is quite likely that Cpl. A. G. Cox, of the Royal Corps of Signals, will be included as centre-half in the Combined Small Units Hockey eleven to play in the Inter-Section Tournament.

Colony polo is the poorer by the departure for Home of Lieut. N. W. Metcalfe, of the Royal Artillery. He was also a Colony Interport hockey star, playing against Macao at full-back at Macao three years ago, when Hong Kong won by 3 goals to 2.

I learn that M. R. Abbas, the well-known cricketer and lawn bowler of the Indian Recreation Club, will be married during this coming week. Congratulations, "Abe".

In spite of having been absent from the Mixed Doubles League for one whole season, Miss R. Summers, of the Taikoo Recreation Club, has not lost previous form, in fact she is playing much better than previously and combines excellently with her partner, G. A. Smith, who turns out in the "B" Division of the Men's Doubles League for St. John's.

I was interested to note that D. Hung, the Craigengower batsman, who has been incapacitated for some time with a damaged finger, turned out again for his club in a League match and batted very well indeed.

Mr. Vilas Ostanda, Siamese Trade Commissioner in Hong Kong, and one of the keenest horsemen in the Colony, is at present in Siam. Mr. Ostanda was mainly responsible for the visit of the Siamese badminton team last season.

F. S. Ku, Kowloon Tong badminton player, and one of the most improved in that Club, is a keen rider and spends a great deal of his time at the Cottage Club, Fanling.

H. Kew, St. Andrew's badminton player, is under medical advice not to play too much, and has consequently curtailed his activities considerably.

W. W. C. Shewan, former skipper of the Club's second hockey eleven, returned from Home leave recently.

A farewell steak and kidney pudding dinner was held at the Kowloon Golf Club last week in honour of W. C. Simpson, who, in addition to being a fine golfer, is also an enthusiastic lawn-bowler. He is proceeding on leave shortly.

G. P. Murphy, who returned from leave about three weeks ago, was not given much opportunity to settle down. He took over the reins of Hon. Secretary of the Cottage Club, Fanling, almost immediately on arrival and organised their very successful first gymkhana.

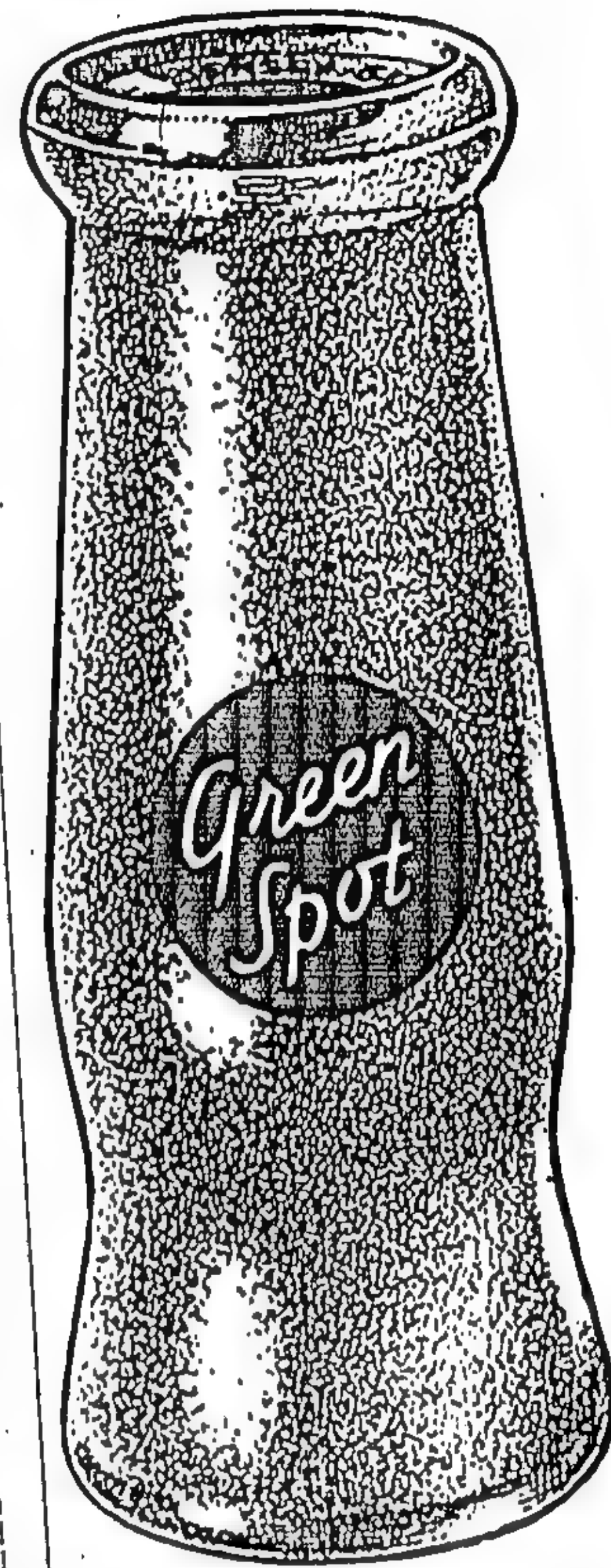
H. F. Westlake, the Civil Service junior eleven's most useful all-rounder, returned from leave last week by the Rawalpindi.

H. C. Mecke, the Rugby Interporter, returned from leave recently.

M. I. de Ville, one of the most enthusiastic yachtsmen in the Colony, has just returned from Home leave.

Contrary to previous reports, Lieut. D. C. Lincoln did not leave the Colony for India on the Dilwara, but will be here until the end of January, and so will again play for the Army in the Triangular Rugby Tournament.

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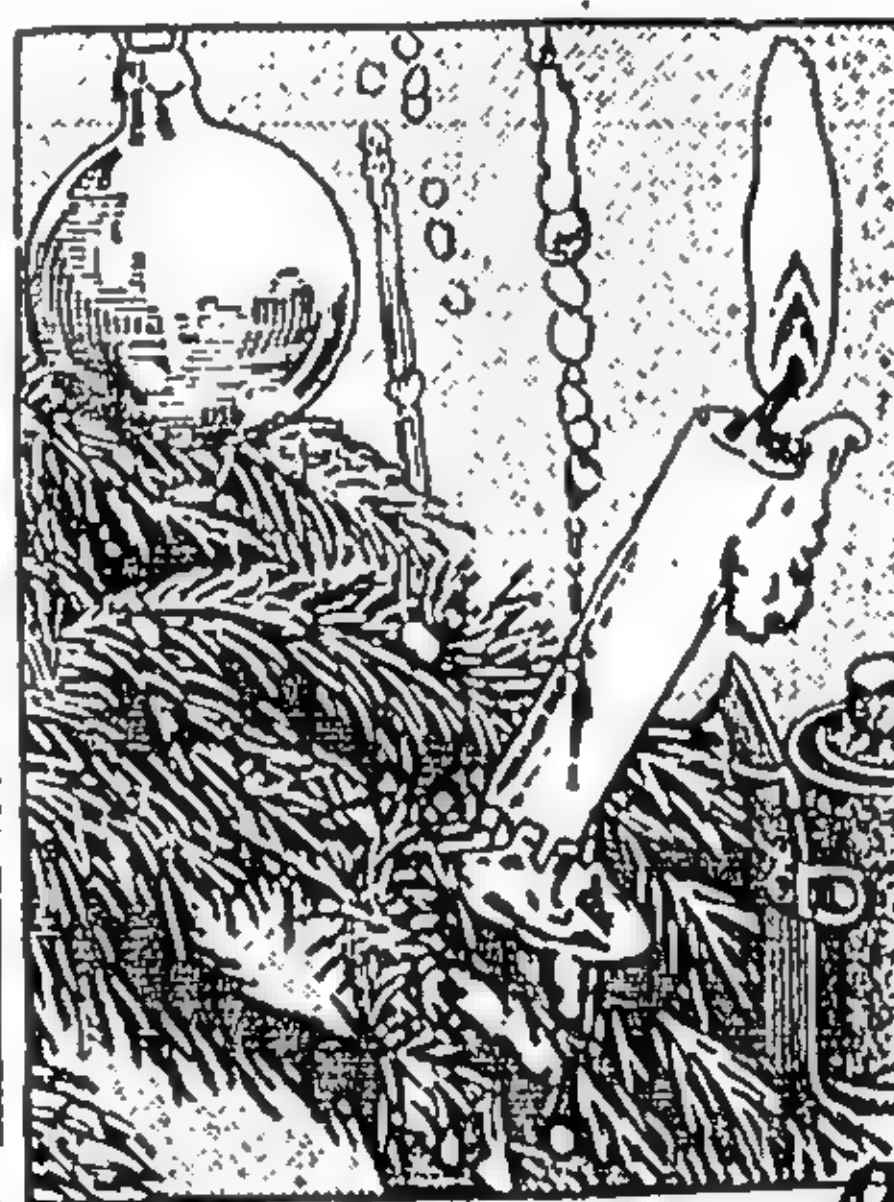
Horseflesh on the stage at the Queen's Theatre. A scene from the Philharmonic Society's production of "The Arcadians." ("Herald" photo).



A general scene of the various stalls at St. Andrew's Bazaar. ("Herald" photo).



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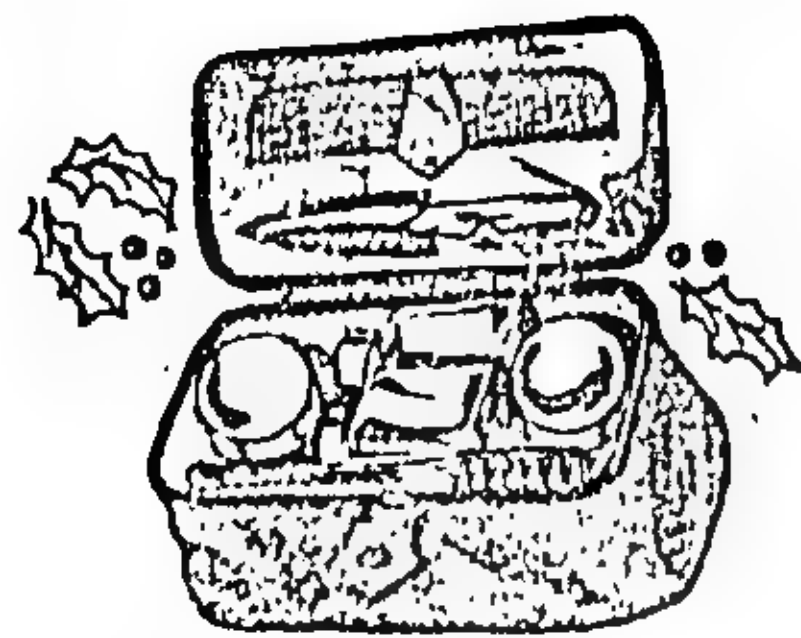


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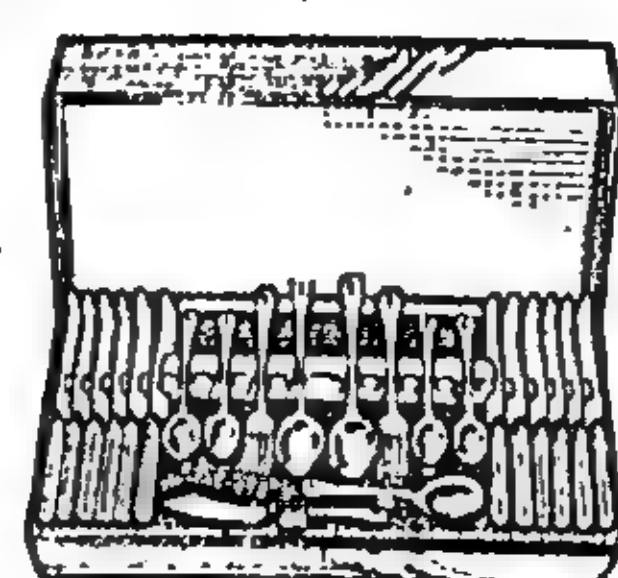


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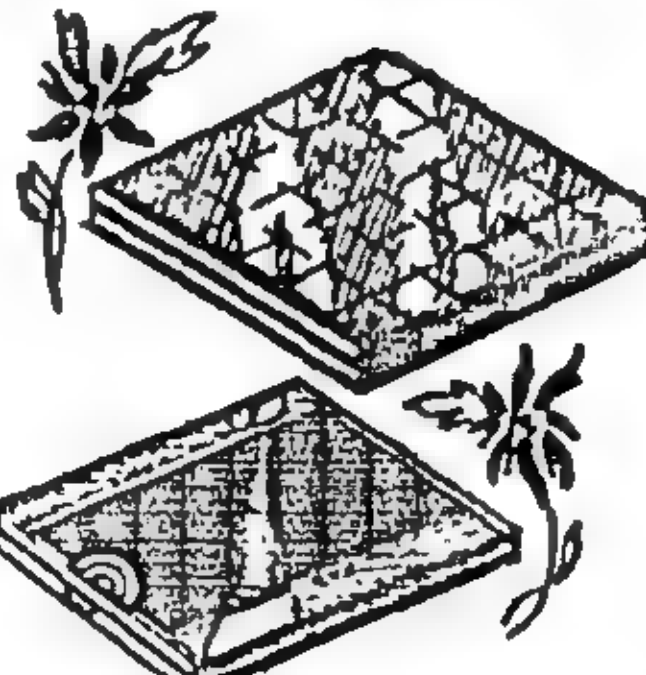
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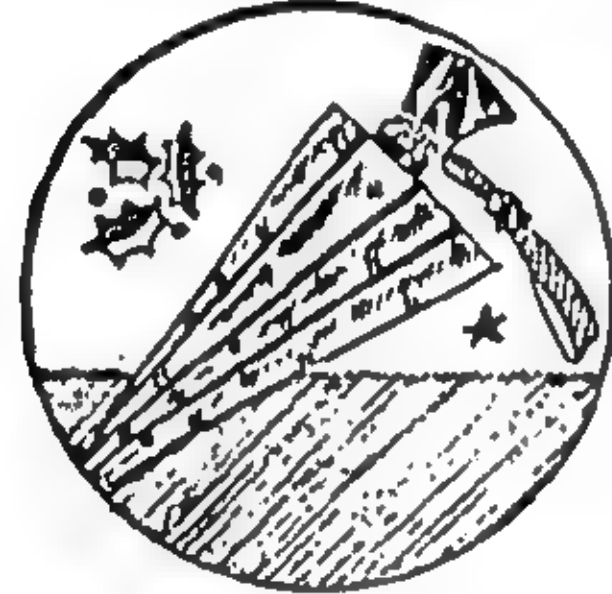
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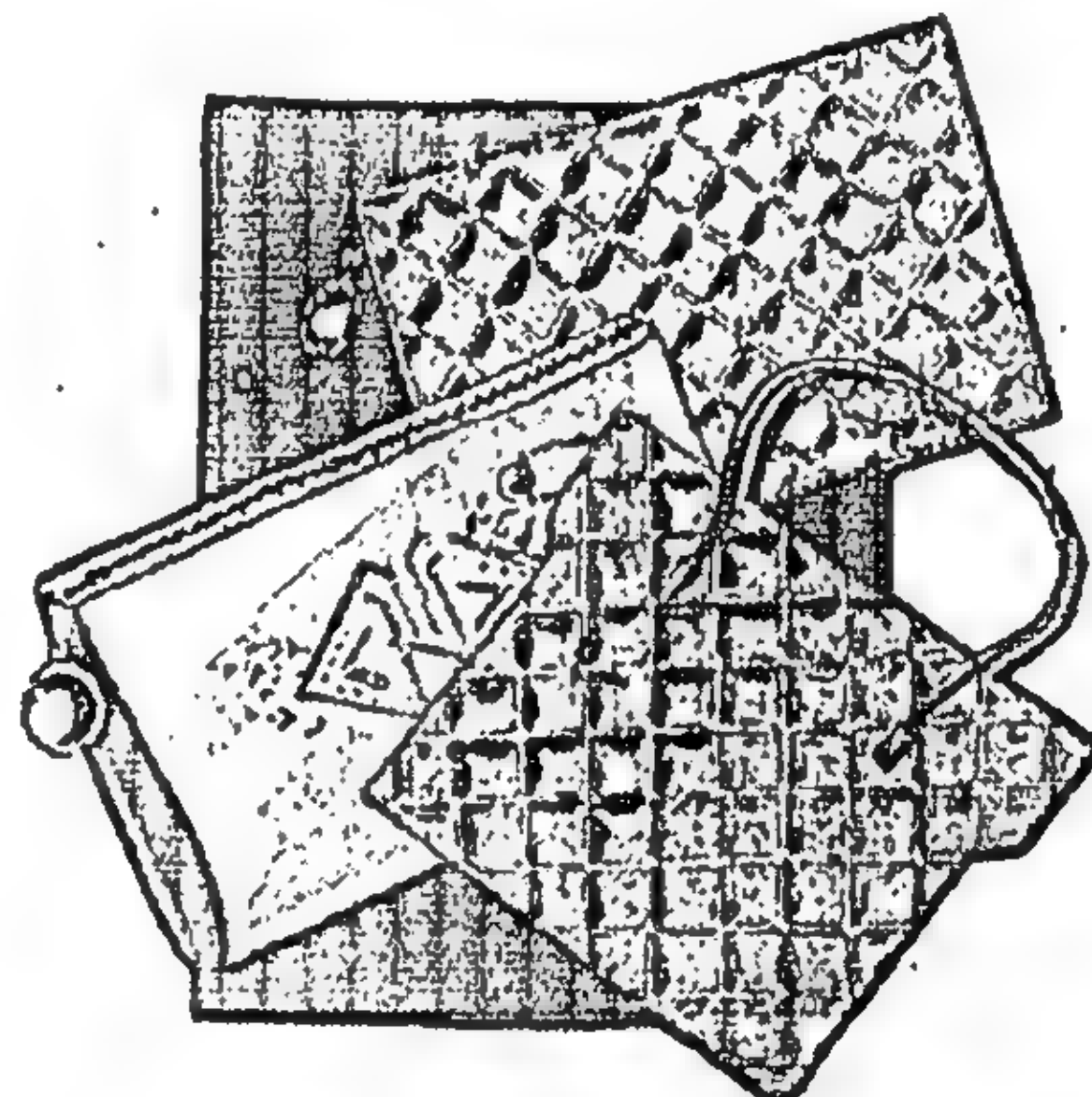
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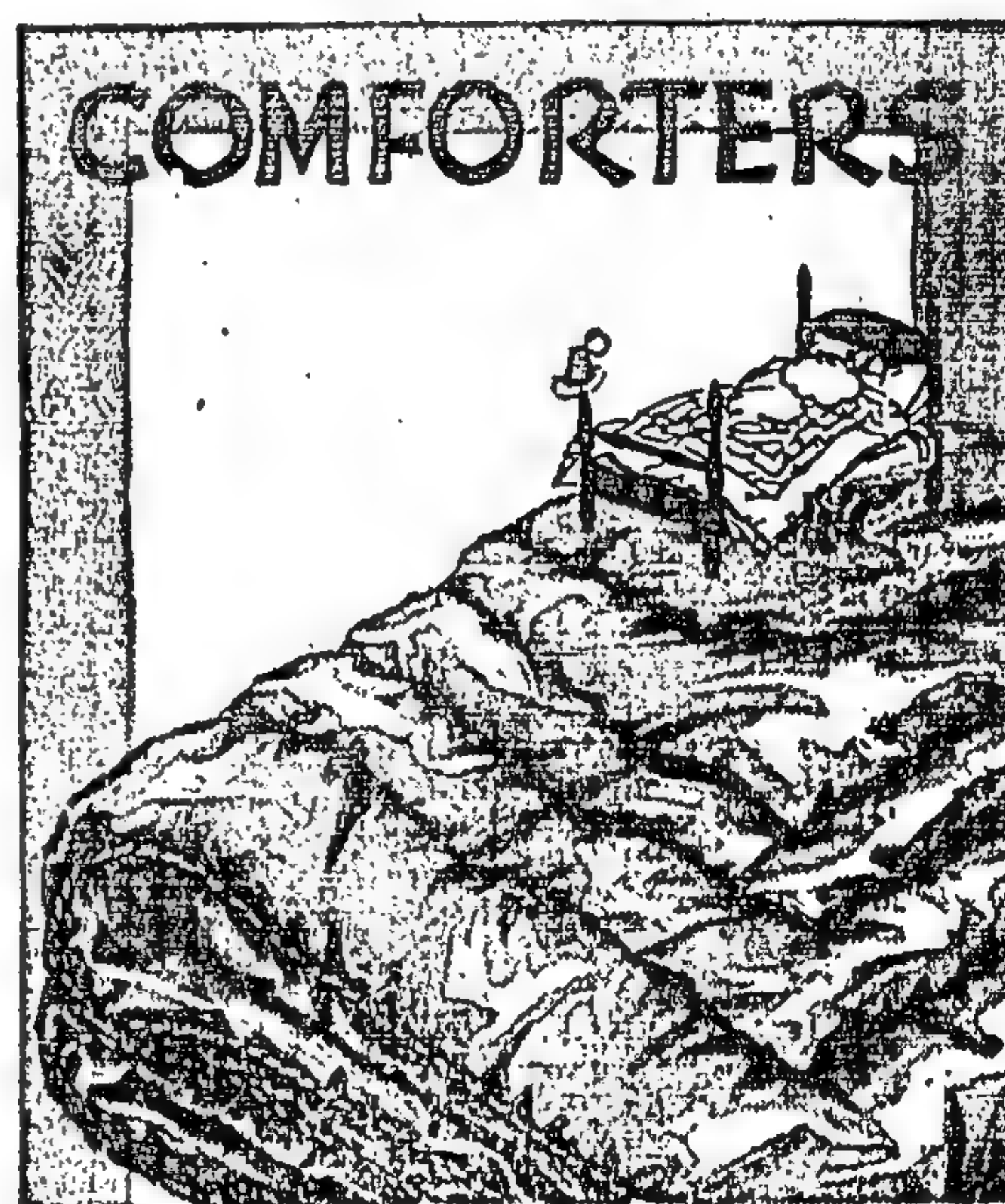
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VIGNETTE OF HONG KONG IN 1937

GREEN as an emerald, the island of Hong Kong rises from a gray sea. Approached by many islands, and linked to narrow passages, which open into a wonderful harbour, surrounded by many islands, and linked to the mainland, Kowloon, by ferries, crowned by its high Peak, Hong Kong is Queen of all she surveys.

Looking at her skyscraper flats, her magnificent modern buildings, (of which the most remarkable is the Hong Kong and Shanghai Bank), one might well fancy oneself in America, but the resemblance is only superficial, for a closer look reveals the rich and varied colours of the Chinese signs, and within a stone's throw of the main streets, with their splendid shops and hotels, are the age-old streets of China, with their teeming life. Swarms of Chinese crowd up and down the narrow lanes, living as their fathers have done for centuries, cooking the same strange foods, and snuffing the air with the same strange smells!

The flamboyant shop signs of blue and gold and vermilion and black, are brilliant advertisements of the goods within—the dentists' signs are particularly striking, the enormous jaws full of teeth, on a crimson background, showing a high dental ideal to the Chinese, who usually have very bad teeth indeed, and must look with envy at the perfect sets displayed.

The lantern shops are the most beautiful—enormous round smooth lanterns glowing with a soft rosy light, while above them swing a row of large pale moons—small lanterns of every shape and size brightened up the dark interior.

Before the food shops one passes quickly, in fact as quickly as possible! It may be that the rows of dried ducks are not quite dry enough, or the strings of strange little bits of meat are rather too dead. Added to this, the pungent smell of spices, and a slight but all-pervading odour of drains, compose the Eastern pot-pourri of China Town.

Crimson rickshaws bear the Oriental gentlesfolk swiftly to their destinations—one: coolie, with short cotton tunic, short black trousers, a pointed straw hat, draws the little carriage with ease, unless he is unfortunate enough to have an outside in fares! But as it is nearly always foreigners who are stout, they usually go by car, the streets being full of opulent looking motors. The rickshaw is too humble and slow a mode of progression for foreigners.

Of course the wealthy Chinese, of whom there are many, also own beautiful cars.

The Chinese are nearly always slender, the Chinese ladies incredibly so—how otherwise would



they went the long slim fitting plain gown of silk or brocade, slit up to the knee, and with a high collar at the back.

The middle class ladies wear little tunics and trousers like beach pajamas, of bright coloured print, and very pretty they look, with their shingled heads. Lower in the social scale a lacquered black is popular, for the pyjama suits, or trousers only, with a short white tunic coat. The coolies wear short, rather bell-shaped trousers, with a cotton tunic, or sometimes almost nothing at all! An enormous pointed straw hat acts as umbrella and sunshade as well, which after all is very practical.

The children are replicas of the

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grown ups, all but the babies who are slung in bundles on their mothers' backs. Poor little mites, their heads loll back at an alarming angle when they fall asleep, and their necks look as if they were dislocated, or about to be at any moment—but a sleepy smile as the black slanting eyes blink in the round little pale amber face, reassures the anxious spectator.

Some of the faces of the aged are very sad. With yellow skin stretched tightly over his bones, scanty gray hair, a long sparse gray tuft from his chin, an old man looked on the world around with tragic eyes. What had he not seen! Feudal China had passed away—his country was struggling against violence and aggression—bombs dropped from the sky on the teeming streets, and his sons, with their wives and children, were murdered at their peaceful occupation of fishing.

Yes, tragedy and despair were in his face.

As the streets teem with peo-

ple, so must the sea be alive with fish, for hundreds and hundreds of junks and sampans reap their daily harvest from the sea. At sunset the junks, with their ochre coloured sails turned golden by the sun, come flocking home to the little fishing village, known rather quaintly as "Aberdeen", just outside Hong Kong. Ten thousand fishers live in this village, and hundreds of them are born, and live, and die, on their boats, as many as forty people living in one junk. A peaceful life, except when the dreaded typhoon sweeps down, and they cannot make the harbour in time!

Evidence of the havoc wrought by the last typhoon even now lies around. At the entrance to the harbour lies a fine ship, high and dry on some ledge of rock, fast and apparently immovable.

Refugees from Shanghai and Canton still crowd every available room. A good many have ventured back, braving the terrors of a possible air raid, or stray or misdirected shell—of such women is our Empire made.

Practically all the trade for China now centres in Hong Kong—merchandise that should find its way all over China lies piled in the godowns and on the quays—the vast fleet of merchant vessels bring their goods and dump them, for it is not safe to bring them further.

Here, under the shadow of the many strong fortifications, they are protected from attack by sea and land, and a large Air Force ensures their safety from attack by Air. The dockyards, too, are among the finest in the world.

Night falls—the hill sparkles with many lights—the brilliantly lit liners cast their illumination on the dark waters. Huge crimson and green lights glow on the water front, their scintillation reflected in the rippling sea.

The emerald has become a diamond, glittering on black velvet—magic Hong Kong!

FATHER CHRISTMAS COMES BY CAR

"HANG it all, this'll take hours to fix!" muttered Geoff Clinton, as he peered into the engine of his car. Geoff was motoring up from Sydney for the grand annual family reunion at his parents' station home. He had hoped to reach the station on the afternoon of Christmas Eve, but roads had been bad, and now, at 8 o'clock at night, he was still 20 miles away, in the middle of a paddock, with a broken-down car.

Then he remembered passing a little settlement just before this breakdown. Perhaps it had a telephone, so that he could at least ring the family and let them know that he really was coming—some time.

He set off, plunging with difficulty across the dark paddocks, but when he drew near the settlement all hope of finding a 'phone left him. It was little more than a hut, a pathetic little dwelling that told a tale of poverty and hardship, and a desperate struggle against the heavy handicaps of the outback. Then

Geoff paused, for a child's voice floated out to him through an open window, a voice pleading pathetically. "But, mum, of course he'll come—"

Then came a woman's voice, a voice very near to tears, saying, "But, Jimmy, this is such a hard place to get to. Father Christmas couldn't carry big sacks of toys across the paddocks. He—he might manage one tiny toy—"

"He'll come!" the child persisted. Geoff listened a while longer, then stole back to his car, his face wearing a distressed frown. Some hours later Jimmy stirred in his sleep, half opened his eyes, then sat bolt upright in amazed delight. No less a person than Father Christmas himself stood by the bed.

"Oh, is it really you?—you really have come—" squealed the little boy, and a deep voice answered

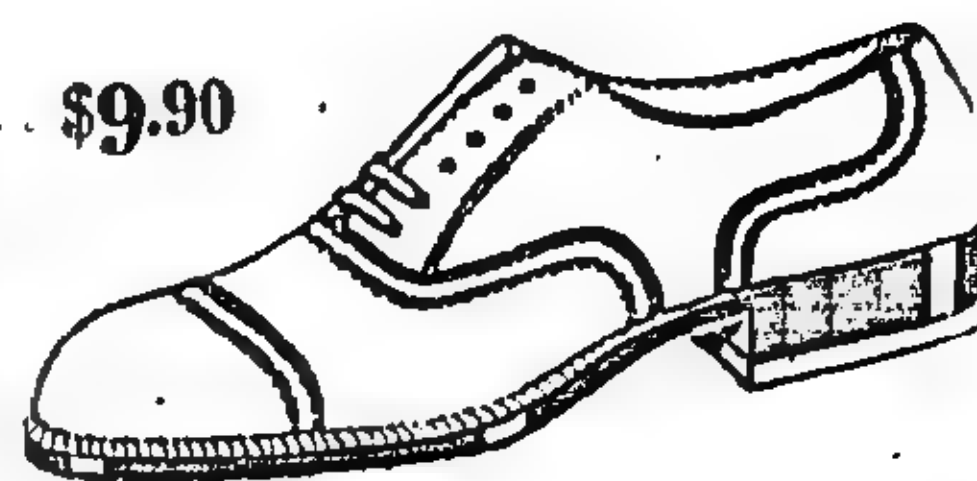


ed, "Yes, I've really come, son! I've come to mum and dad, too—but go to sleep again, or I might run away!"

Next day the poor little shack didn't know itself. Father Christmas had left presents everywhere, toys for Jimmy, wonderful gifts for mum and dad, and a regular picnic of good things to eat. And, twenty miles away, Geoff was saying to the big happy house party "I'm awfully sorry I haven't any presents left for half of you!"

Then, when everyone said how delighted they were that the presents had been given to the poor family, he went on, "But wasn't it a stroke of luck that I had that Father Christmas costume with me for our fancy dress party tomorrow? I've never seen anything better than the youngster's face when he saw me! It's the luckiest breakdown I ever had!"

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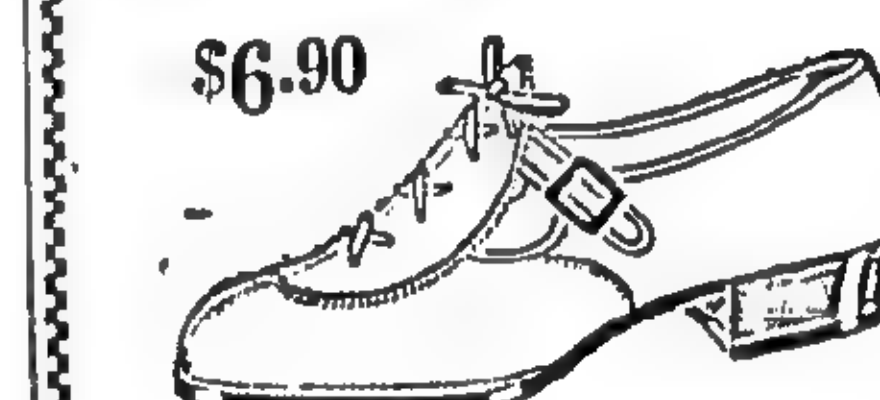
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Choosing A Fancy Dress

IT was an original touch on the part of a hostess to mark the invitations for her Christmas dance "Fancy-dress—home-made"! Although all the guests could not obey her injunction, the result was a most refreshing originality. Fancy-dress should look spontaneous, and should never give the impression of expense.

In a sense your costume should be the natural expression of the joy of life, for youth and happiness are holding a carnival and how can you feel either young or happy unless comfort has been studied? Many a woman has spoiled her evening because she has forgotten the impossibility of dancing in a hot room arrayed in a heavy quilted and realistic Elizabeth costume.

It may be that a white leed wedding-cake—on legs—wins a prize, but the winner will be quite unable to dance. Again, a costume so filmy as to tear at a touch, has given many a girl dull hours in a dressing-room, trying to repair damages.

We all have in us something of the child's love of adapting things to uses other than their own; thus any costume which is an obvious adaptation and yet attractive, is sure to be popular.

It gives you a real thrill to make a toga out of a bedsheet, a window-curtain into a bridal veil, or use an aluminium saucepan as a helmet. How many times has a tea-cosy been adapted as an ornate Eastern fez, or the table-runner sewn on a strip of art muslin, turned its owner from a city clerk into a Japanese potentate?

There is endless fun in such adaptation, but even if the fancy-dress dance is more formal, much can be done by the home-designer with bright

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ideas. Courage and the power to imagine the final effect, is what counts most. Your timorous fancy-dress designer is a failure before she begins!

You want to represent the Bank of England? Then pile the tinsel. Modestly you aim at nothing but "oranges"—then let your costume be the vividdest orange hue obtainable, except where it is dead-black. See to it that the chain of fruit encircling you be the biggest and brightest fruit that orange-velvet can devise.

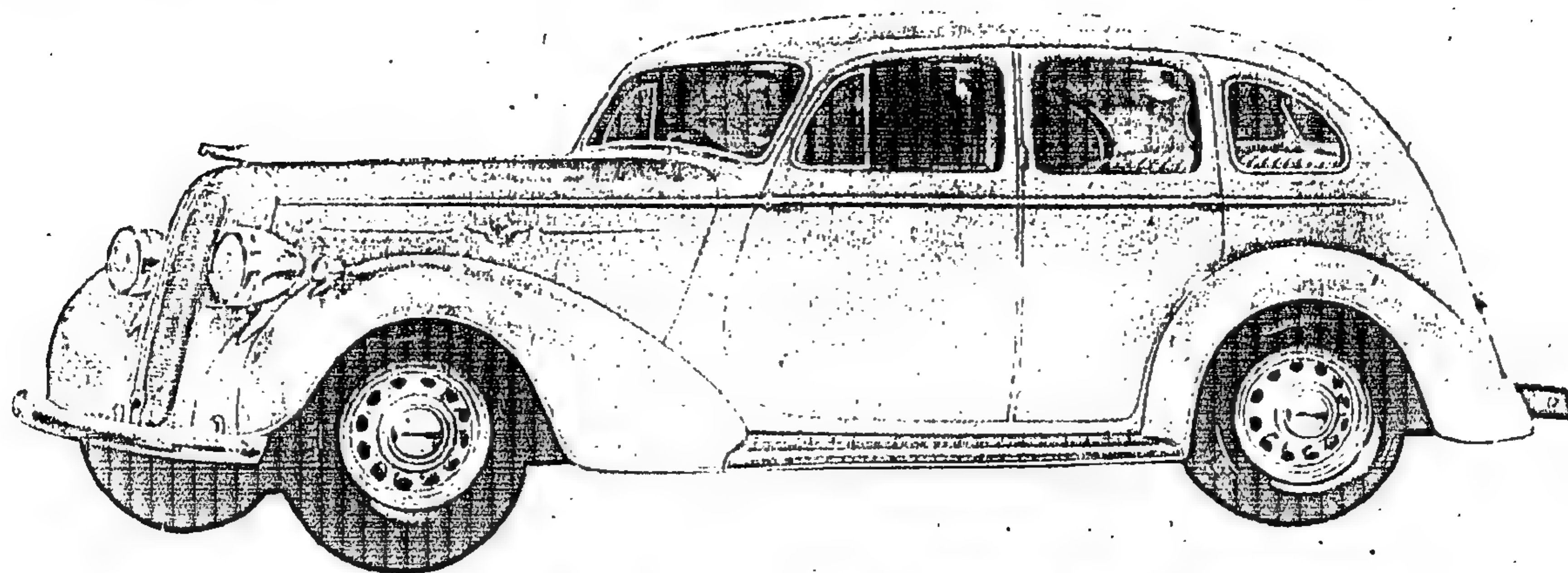
If period-costume is chosen, make sure that you are suited to the part. The jolly round-face girl will never make a tragedy queen, nor can the middle-aged and dignified business-woman hope to succeed as Nell Gwynne! The girl who says "Who would I like to be if I were not myself?" will never go far astray.

None of us really want to play a part of which we are physically and mentally incapable. The languid and dignified woman is not really interested in being a ballet-girl, so she will avoid an unsuitable character. The slipshod flapper who has no ambition to be a Britannia had better avoid the part.

Make-up is almost as important as dress, and especially when a period-costume has been selected. A first-class costume will be lost in the crowd unless its wearer has a striking make-up to correspond. Never forget that you are temporarily an actress on a stage, and just as an actress must use powder and paint more lavishly than in ordinary life, so it is more essential in fancy-dress.

Wigs are invaluable in emphasising effects, and contrary to popular opinion, are not at all hot to wear. With a wig the girl whose hair is "not so good" has a chance to display her other attractions, and can emphasise charms which on ordinary occasions are unnoticed. Sharp contrasts are not always advisable in a work-a-day world, but half the zest of fancy-dress lies in contrast. The plentito costume is an immediate example of how contrast in colour may be obtained.

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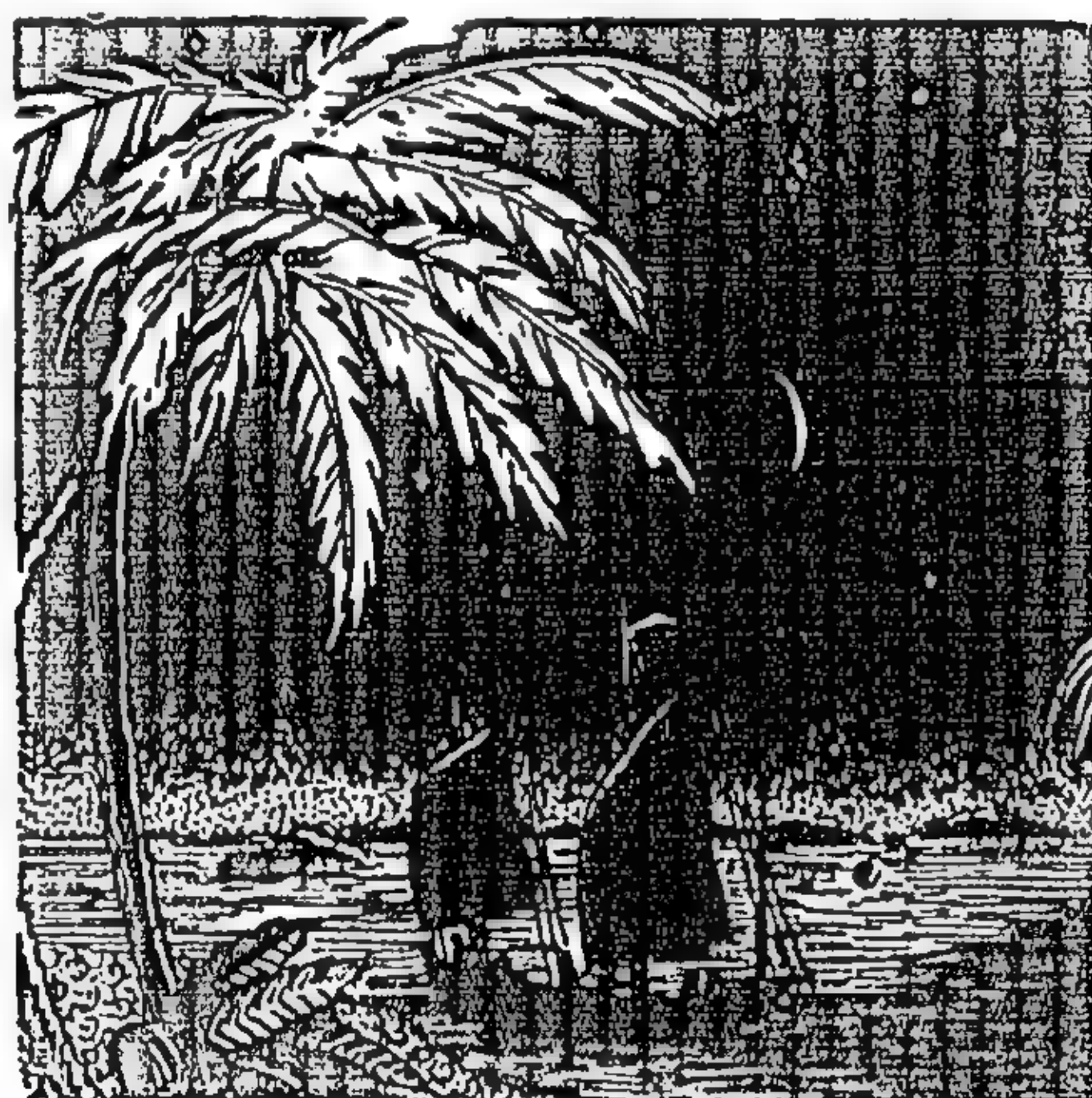
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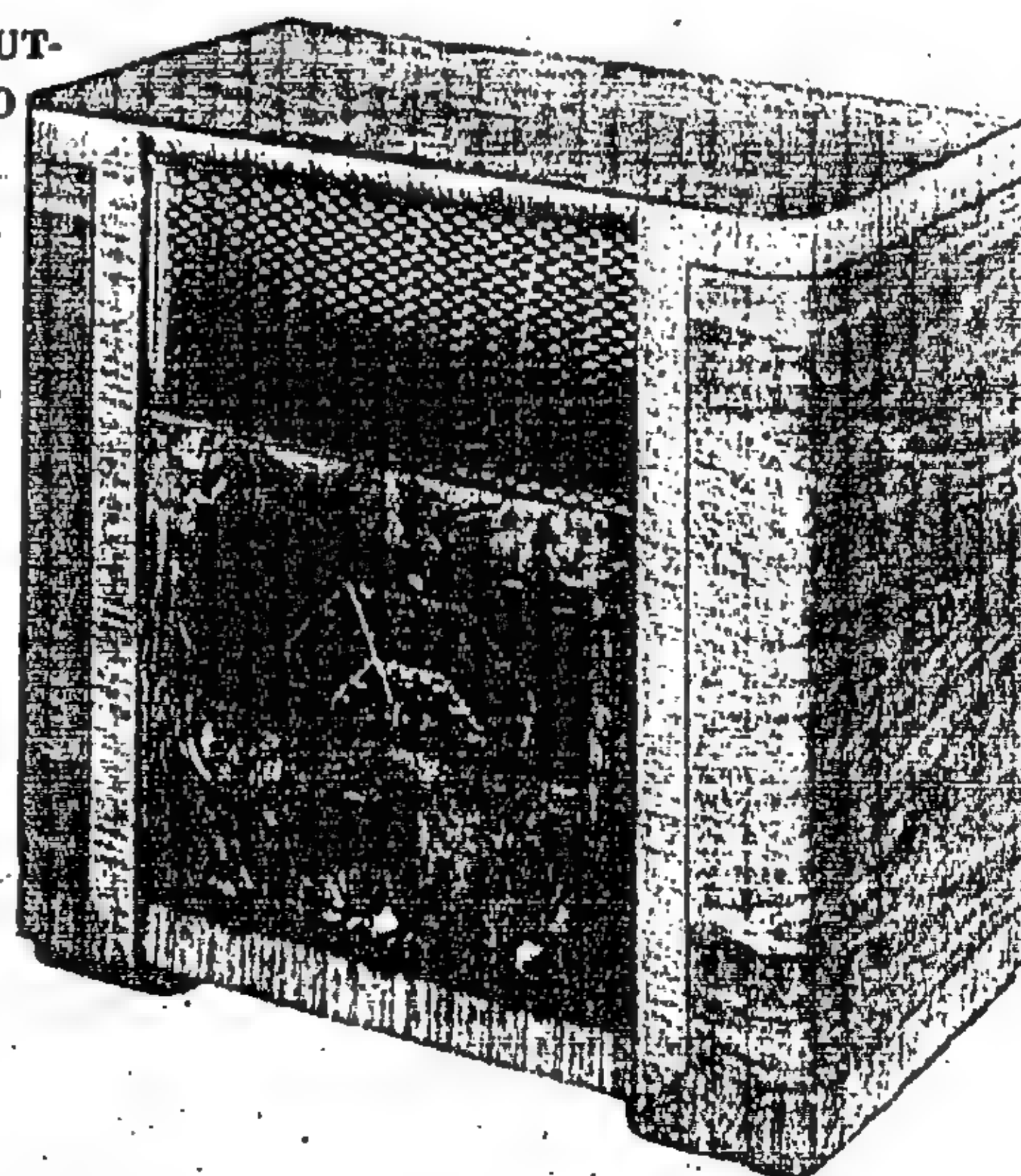
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Treasure Hunt

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of "The Swan," alone seemed cheerful, and insisted on singing the Marseillaise. Henry Taint took Harold aside.

"Look here," he said, in a voice which strong men use when asking their best friend to save a bullet for the woman, "can't you get this over a bit quicker? We're only at the seventh clue."

"Leave it to me," said Harold, an elfin gleam flickering in his salient eyeballs.

"Mark over's the cry."

"And August's the season."

If you want to know why, Ask sportsman the reason."

It was Clue No. 12—Lady Leatherhead's swan-song as a poetess.

"I know!" cried Miss Buxton. "The stuffed grouse in the billiard-room!"

Their goal in sight, her fellow-seekers felt the spirit of competition stir within them for the first time. They began to shamble off with a kind of furtive alacrity.

But "Hey!" roared a voice, and they stopped. It was Rollock, lodging a sportsman's protest. "I say" (he said), "look here; I mean they aren't grouse, you know. They're ptarmigan." But no one else was in a mood to split ornithological straws. In this crisis one lagopus was as good as another. They resumed their surge towards the billiard-room.

Harold saw to it that he was there first. The two stuffed ptarmigan watched each other intently, like duellists, over a tuft of blasted heather. Moths had long since eaten the better part of their plumage, but by one of those accidents so common in old-fashioned taxidermy the one looked immutably quizzical, the other perpetually indignant. There was drama in their eternal vigil.

The treasure—a large parcel containing Kinglake's "History of the Crimean War" and two pots of home-made jam—Harold had already removed and hidden. The hunt arrived panting, to find him with nothing but an envelope in his hands.

"Money," thought most, and were conscious of a renewed interest.

"Tickets for a charity ball," thought Hugo Rollock, who had been stung that way before.

"More ruddy verse," prophesied Major Tiler, not quite under his very noticeable breath.

Gravely and in silence, Harold opened the envelope; gravely and in silence read the single sheet of newspaper it contained. Then he looked up and passed his hand across his brow in a dazed way.

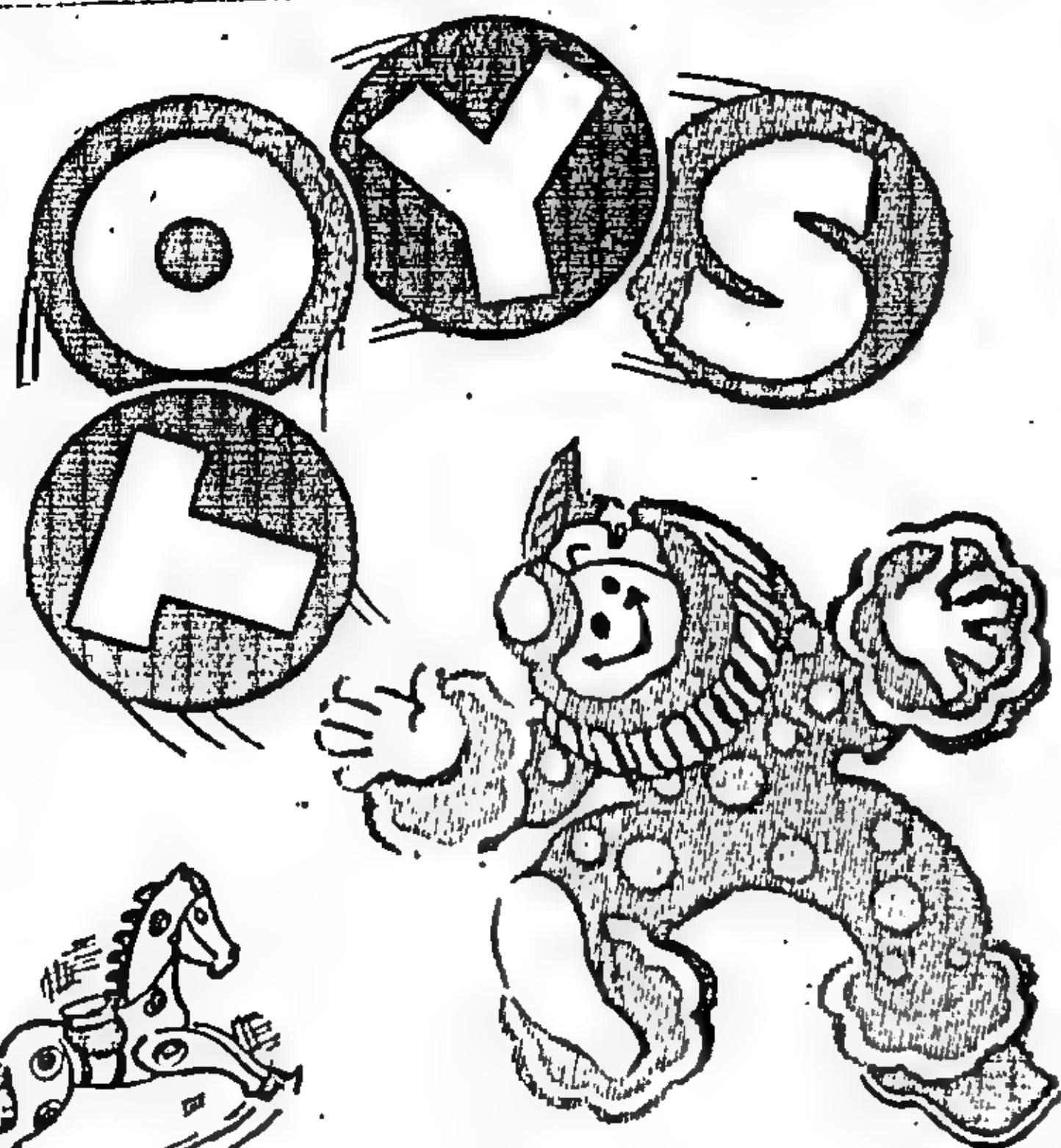
"This is a very strange thing," he said in a hollow voice, "but I am compelled to read it out, for the treasure is to be shared by all who sought it."

He cleared his throat. "Oh, do go on," urged someone. "The treasure" (Harold's voice was a little shaky to begin with) "is Self-Knowledge." Here he broke off and looked round him in a sorrowful, deprecating way. "I ought to explain," he went on, "that the whole thing appears to have been written under the stress of some violent emotion, and is in parts legible only with difficulty. But I must admit that the first word, which is followed by three unmistakable exclamation-marks, looks to me very much like 'Parasites.' The second is certainly 'Numskulls'; and" (here he looked full at his audience), "the third is 'Pests.' It goes on, 'Do off with you, scum! Why do you come clambering over each other after my food, cluttering my house with your over-dressed little bodies, drooling out your insufferable small-talk at my table? Why do you submit to the infantile and degrading pastimes, which I devise for you? You are like so many performing fleas, only far less sagacious; I only wish you were the same size as they are, so that I could crush you all with a sharp downward blow of my hand.' Run away, horrible little things! Know yourselves for what you are, and run away while you can."

Harold paused. "There is a good deal more," he said, "but I would rather not read it, if you don't mind. My mother has these moods. . . ."

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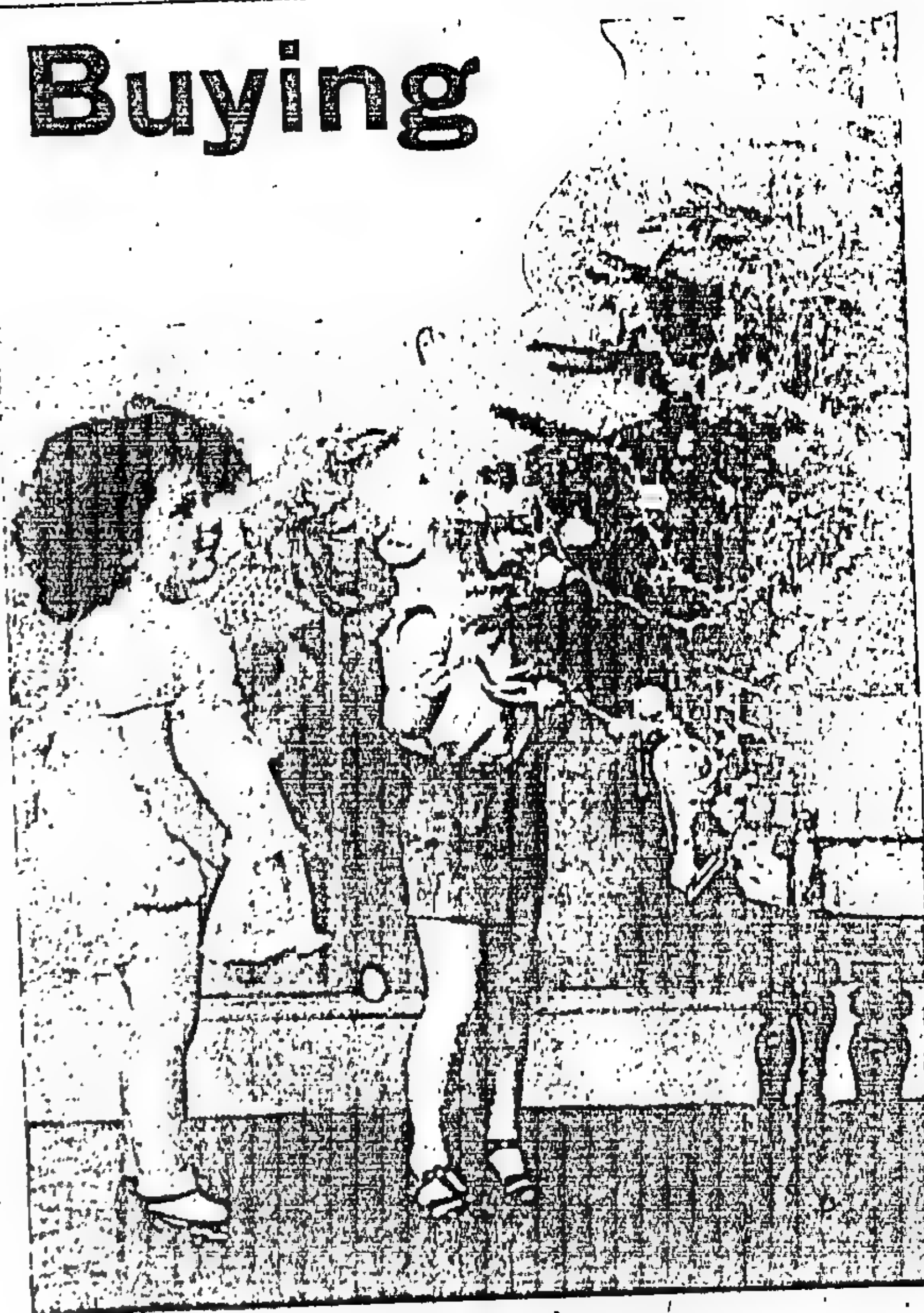
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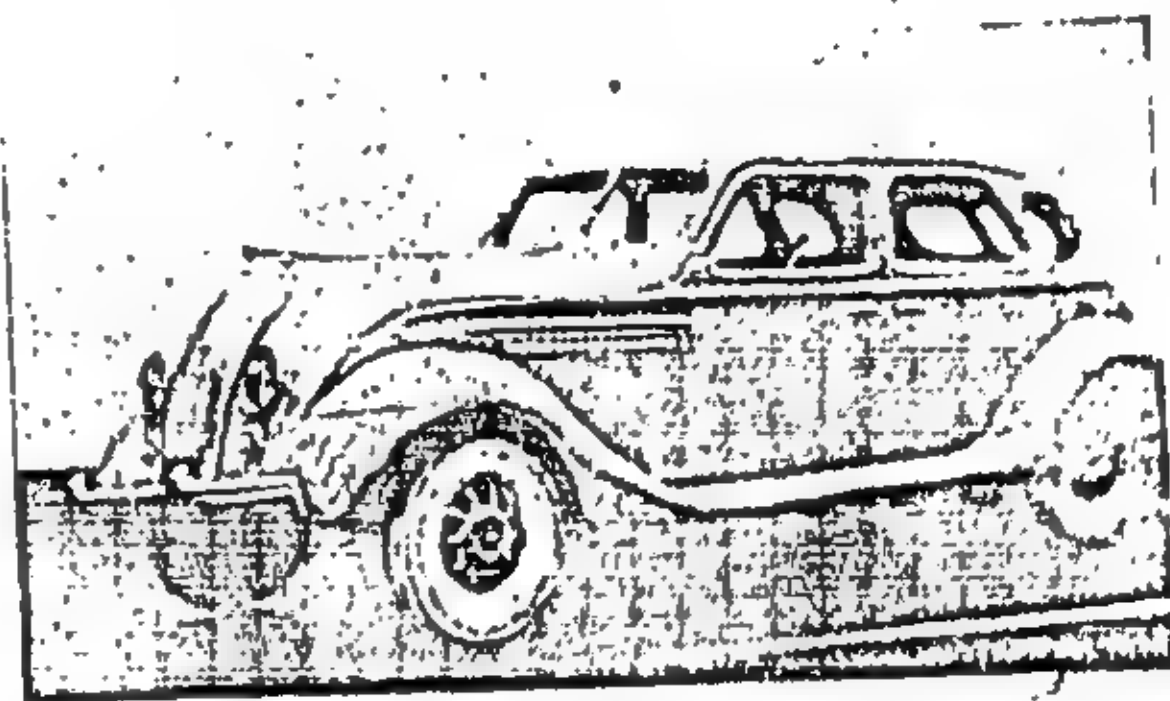
There's a Tremendous Field for Selection

A TOUR of the toy bazaars of Hong Kong this Christmas is enough to make adults wish they were children again. The hoary joke concerning the father and his son's toy train is applicable to numerous of the remarkable mechanical toys now provided for the edification and, to some extent, education of the younger generation.

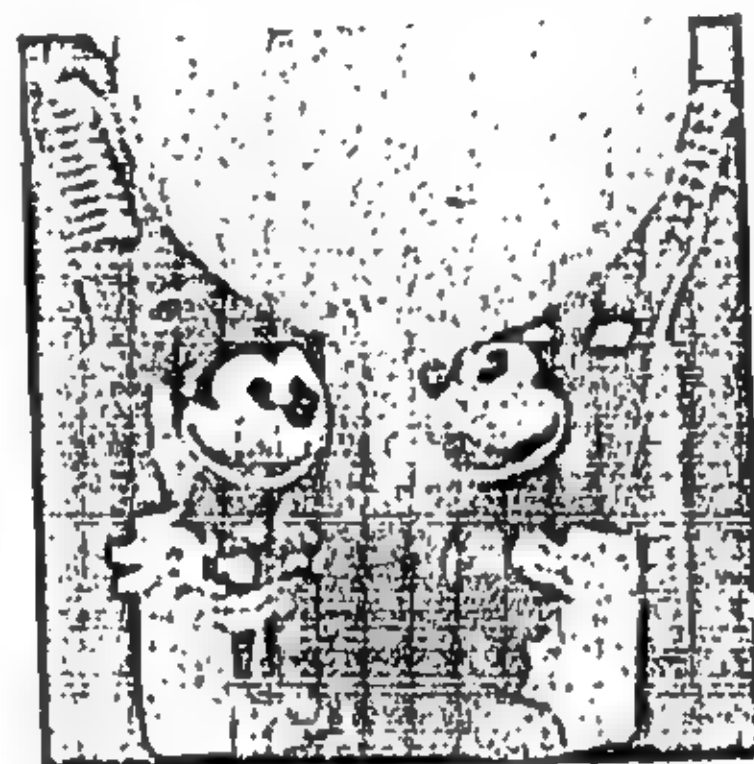
RECITATION of the many delightful toys offering here, there and everywhere would fill pages. The pictures below have been selected at random from a host of equally pleasing gifts for children.



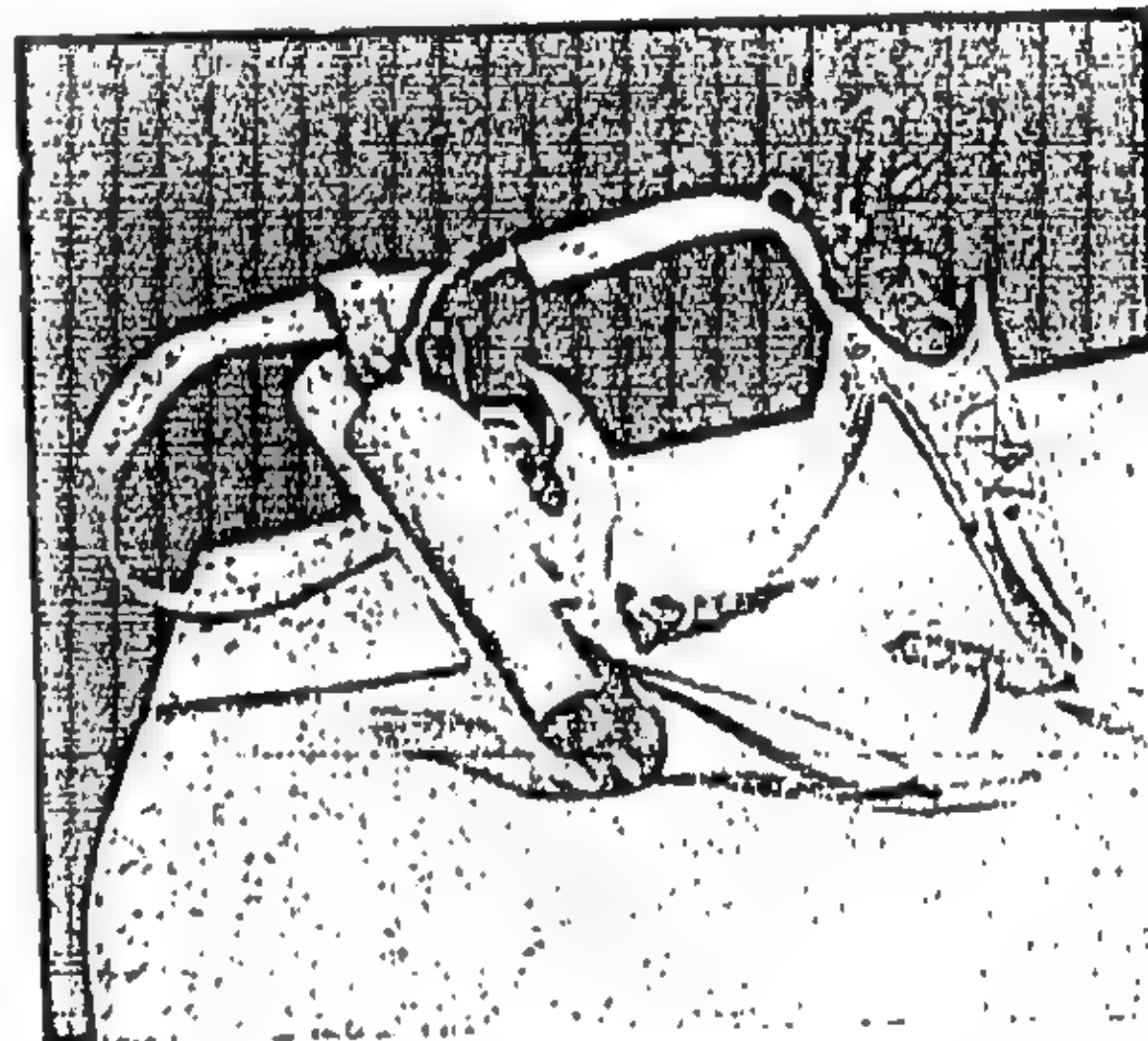
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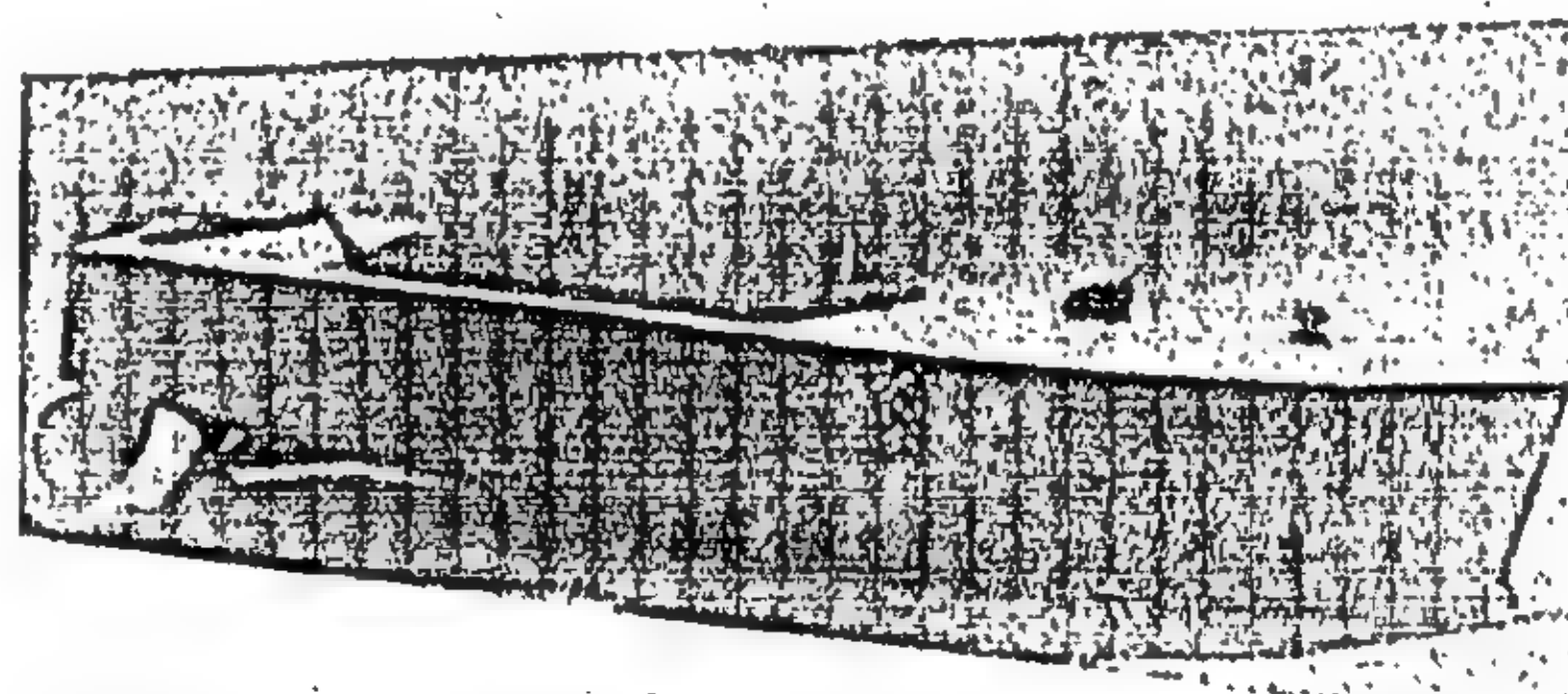
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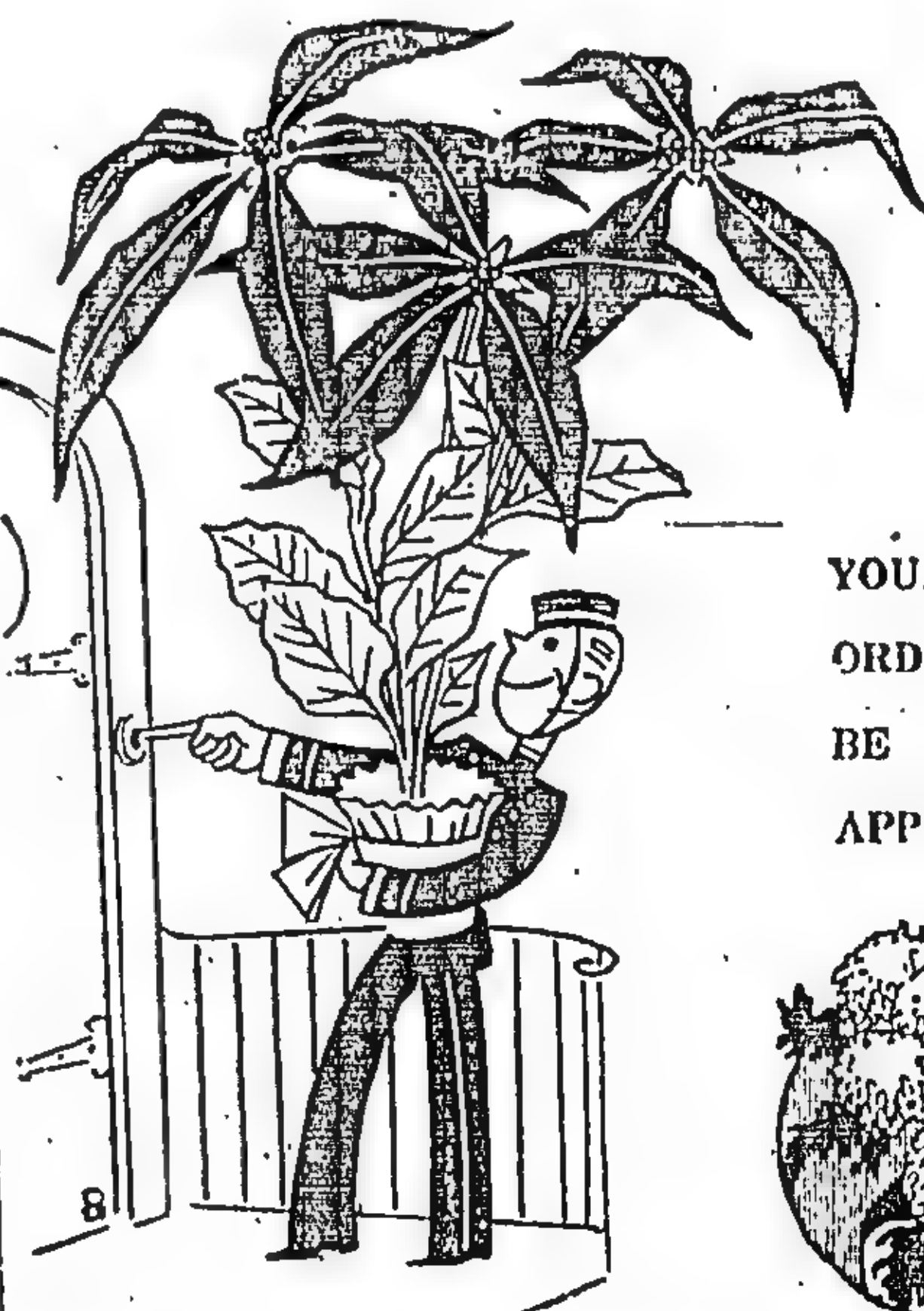
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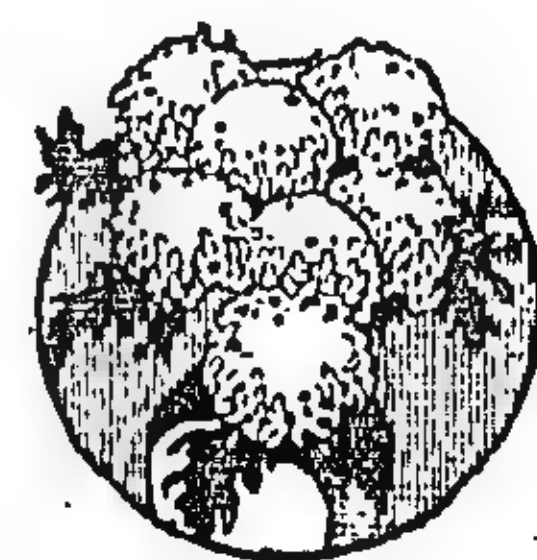
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the MAN in the IRON CAGE



MANY years ago a house in Lille was the scene of ghostly phenomena which were corroborated at the time by reliable witnesses, who place Lady Pennyman's experience well within the category of authentic ghost stories.

I am unable to give the reasons which induced Lady Pennyman and her two daughters to leave England and make their temporary home in Lille. They were lucky enough to find a large furnished house at a very low rental. The first hint that anything was wrong came when Lady Pennyman went to the bank to cash a draft which her husband, Sir John Pennyman, had sent her. As Lady Pennyman went a bank messenger to take some private papers back to her house, she asked the man whether he was quite sure of the direction. "Parfaitment, Miladi, since Miladi resides at the Haunted House," said he.

A little surprised at her new home described as the Haunted House, Lady Pennyman supposed that, as it was an old place, there might be some legend connected with it.

A few days later, Mrs. Carter, the Pennyman housekeeper, who

had come from England with the family, and who was something of a dictator, told Lady Pennyman that two of the English housemaids had given in their notices. "And," said Mrs. Carter, "I'm afraid they mean it."

"Why won't they stay?" asked Lady Pennyman.

Mrs. Carter pursed her lips. "The reason is beneath contempt—a parcel of silly, ignorant young women who say they can't stay because of noises. Noises indeed—servants haven't no business to pay attention to noises in a gentleman's house."

Mrs. Carter then explained to her mistress that, according to the maids, the noises were due to ghosts. On hearing this, Lady Pennyman remembered the man's reference to "the haunted house."

"I know how sensible you are, Carter," she said. "Try to persuade the maids to stop. None of us is superstitious, and no doubt the noises are only a mixture of wind and rats."

Mrs. Carter's common sense was not strong enough to overcome the housemaids, who refused to stay the month out and returned to England within the next 24 hours. Lady Pennyman, angry and worried, called in Mrs.

Carter's assistance to find out where the noises were located.

It appeared that they were supposed to come from a room formerly shared by the two servants, distant from Lady Pennyman's part of the house. Accompanied by Mrs. Carter, she made a thorough inspection of every nook and corner of the building.

The "noisy" room was long and spacious. Lady Pennyman noticed something in a corner. This was a large iron cage.

"Look, Carter, whatever is this cage doing here?" cried Lady Pennyman. "Seems to me as if someone had been keeping a monkey in it," replied Mrs. Carter. "Naturally I saw it when we first came, but—what's a cage, your Ladyship, a cage doesn't give girls an excuse to tear back home like two mad things."

Lady Pennyman looked again at the strange circular cage, large and high enough to contain a man.

She was a woman accustomed to a well-regulated household running on oiled wheels and was annoyed by this sudden domestic upheaval. She felt she must put an end to it.

"Listen, Carter," said she, "are there any stories about this room?"

Mrs. Carter was non-committal. "There may be, and there may not be . . . but as I don't listen to a lot of foreign gabble."

"Well, I've made up my mind," said her mistress. "I shall sleep here myself, then we shall not hear anything more about noises!"

Shaken out of her usual genteel composure, Mrs. Carter so far unbent as to try to make Lady Pennyman change her mind, but to no purpose. The next night saw her settled in the room with the empty cage standing in the

corner.

For a week Lady Pennyman's rest was not disturbed, and Mrs. Carter surveyed the servants with triumphant scorn. But there was no lasting peace.

One night Lady Pennyman was awakened by hearing a slow, heavy step, which seemed to be pacing the *greiner* overhead. This monotonous pacing moved backwards and forwards with the same regular motion for nearly an hour, but perhaps Lady Pennyman's nerves may have deceived her, and she thought the time longer than it actually was.

At last the steps ceased. When morning came, Lady Pennyman came to the conclusion that there must be a way of getting into the *greiner*, known to someone outside. She decided to talk it over later with Mrs. Carter, dismissed the steps from her mind and went down to breakfast.

The sight of the essentially English breakfast table restored her poise. The two Pennyman girls, pretty and vivacious, were already waiting for their mother, but Lady Pennyman noticed that her son Charles then on leave from his ship, had not come down. Breakfast was nearly over when he put in an appearance, looking as if he had not slept.

These were the days when parents were allowed to comment unafraid on the habits of their children. Lady Pennyman, who detected unpunctuality, did so. "I wonder you are not ashamed of yourself," she said. "Well, mother, it's not my fault if I am late," replied the sailor. "I haven't had any sleep all night. There have been people knocking at my door every half-hour since I went to bed—some interfering servant, I suppose, who wasn't certain that I had put out my candle. And if you imagine I'm likely to drop off to sleep and set the place on fire, at any rate you needn't say so to the servants."

"Why, Charles," exclaimed his mother in surprise, "of course I know you are capable of taking every precaution against fire, and I should never give orders to anyone to worry you, but are you quite sure that you have really been disturbed—perhaps you've dreamt it?"

This was the last straw; Char-

les, abandoning his habitual politeness, tersely told his mother that he had not made any mistake. "Damn it all, I wish I had," said he, "I wouldn't be so tired now."

After breakfast Lady Pennyman talked to Mrs. Carter. The household was completely disorganised. The servants declared they would not stop. Mrs. Carter had an idea. "Your Ladyship had better ask Mrs. Atkins to come over—if she can't settle things, no one can."

The name of Mrs. Atkins stood for solidity, friendship, affection and reliability with the Pennyman. She was one of those people capable of coping with any kind of situation.

Lady Pennyman wrote to her, telling her of the troubles which had beset her since her arrival in Lille. Mrs. Atkins replied by arriving in person, bringing with her an energetic fox terrier with a great reputation for rattling.

Mrs. Atkins laughed at the supernatural side of the disturbances. "I'll silence this silly talk," she cried. "There must be no half measures. I intend to sleep in the Cage Room. I shouldn't mind sleeping inside the cage. You were very foolish, my dear, not to go on sleeping there" (by this time Lady Pennyman had gone back to her own bedroom) "after all, you saw nothing, and you have certainly played into your servants' hands by acknowledging that you were frightened of something."

After this ultimatum the Cage Room was once more made habitable. Before Mrs. Atkins went upstairs to bed, she said, in a voice intended to reach the ears of the butler, listening behind the door: "I and Bob are equal to anything or anybody, and I'm certain that, in chasing rats, he'll save me the trouble of laying the ghost. Good-night, everybody."

Alone in the Cage Room, Mrs. Atkins examined it thoroughly. She tapped the panelling to investigate the possibility of a hidden passage. She bolted and locked her door, dismissed the existence of the cage as entirely uninteresting, and got into bed, secure in the knowledge of her spiritual strength. She was absolutely convinced of the non-

A REAL LIFE GHOST STORY

BY MAUD M.C. FFOULKES

existence of ghostly returns. Her self-confidence was short-lived. She was suddenly awakened by a loud howl from the terror of all created rats, who sprang upon the bed, and crouched down trembling beside her.

The bedroom door slowly opened, and a pale, thin, sickly youth came in, glanced at Mrs. Atkins, and walked over to the iron cage. Here he stood for a few moments in an attitude registering extreme unhappiness, and then, retracing his steps, went out of the room.

More than ever convinced that the noises and visitations represented some plan to drive the Pennyman out of the house, Mrs. Atkins determined to follow the mysterious figure. Taking her lamp, she hastened after him, when to her amazement, she found the door was fastened just as she had left it. But when she opened the door she was just in time to see the back of the youth descending the staircase.

As I have said, Mrs. Atkins had a reputation for coping with any emergency, and she followed on until, at the foot of the stairs, the form dissolved into nothingness. Mrs. Atkins, alone in the gloomy hall, faintly.

Doors opened, and the Pennyman family descended awakened and startled out of their senses by the hideous noise with which Bob had advertised the night's work. When Mrs. Atkins came to herself, she insisted that her friends ought not to remain in such nerve-racking surroundings. "I cannot deny the evidence of my own eyes," she said. The next day Lady Pennyman asked her landlord to release her from her tenancy.

Her application was unsuccessful. In fact, the landlord threatened reprisals if Lady Pennyman mentioned a word which might injure his property.

Before Lady Pennyman left Lille she heard the tragic

story associated with the house. A former owner had imprisoned his nephew in the Cage Room, and hastened his death by cruelty and privations. The boy was heir to great wealth, and his uncle, who acted as his guardian during his minority, determined to remove him. The removal was not easy, probably because the unfortunate and unwanted possess some unexpected hold on life, but at last the moral murderer thought out the final torture of the Iron Cage.

At first the Cage only represented an object of terror, just as the sight of the Iron Maiden of Nuremberg makes people shudder, although she has been out of action for centuries. The boy was warned that the next time he offended his uncle he would be shut in the Cage without rest or food.

Twice the punishment of the Cage was threatened and remitted, but not for long, and when at last lack of nourishment and rest told on the enfeebled body, the broken spirit was released by death from further torture.

Any ill-gotten wealth is usually dearly purchased. The murderer became obsessed not only with the memory of the dead boy, but also with his ghostly presence. It was rumoured that whenever he went into the room of death he saw his unfortunate nephew once more lying in a crumpled heap at the bottom of the iron cage, with glazed and staring eyes, half opened mouth, and hands tightly clenched on the iron bars.

Finally, driven frantic by terror and remorse, as well as being haunted by the spirit of the unrepentant dead, the "wicked uncle" sold the property for a song, and left Lille. It is not known what became of him.

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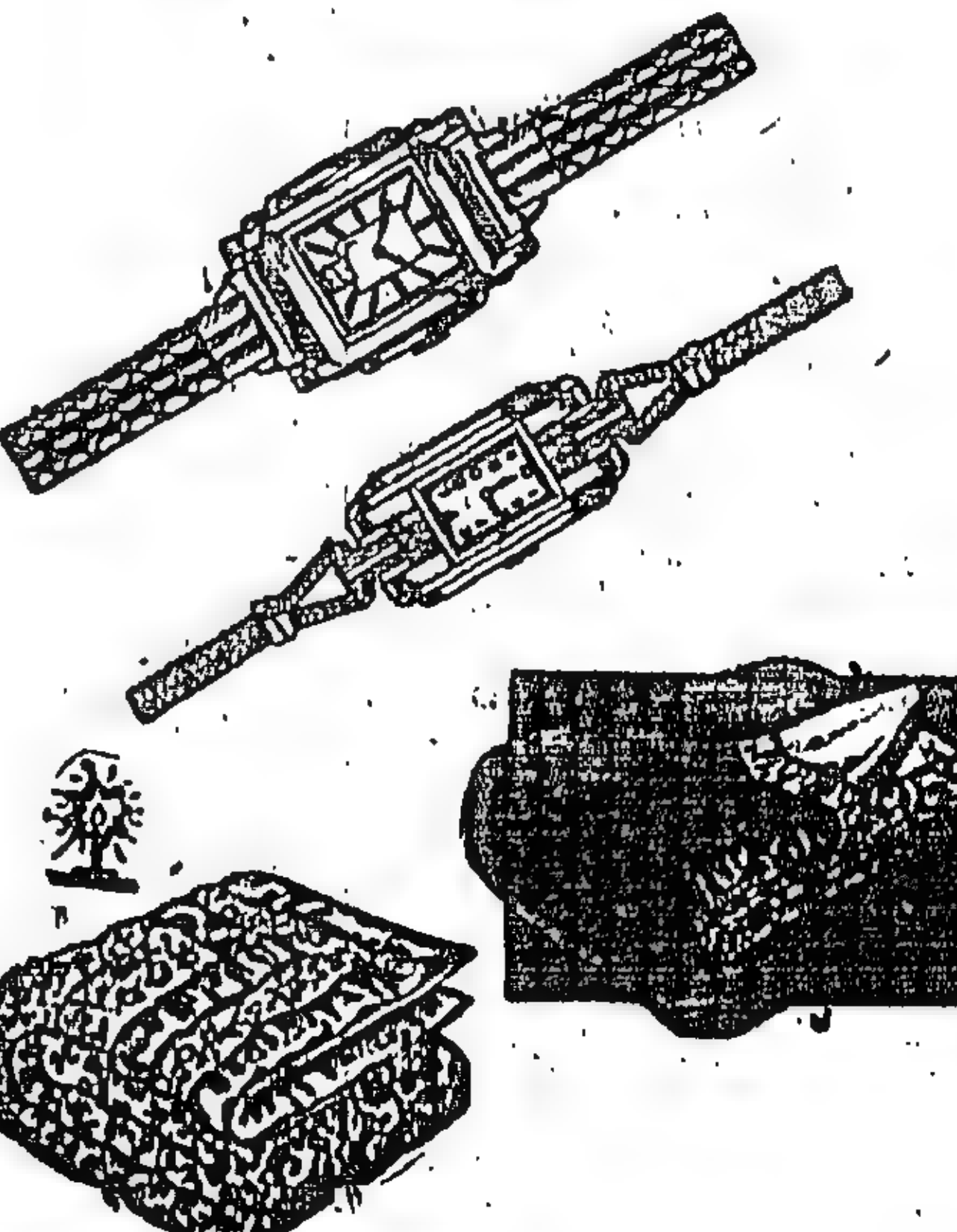
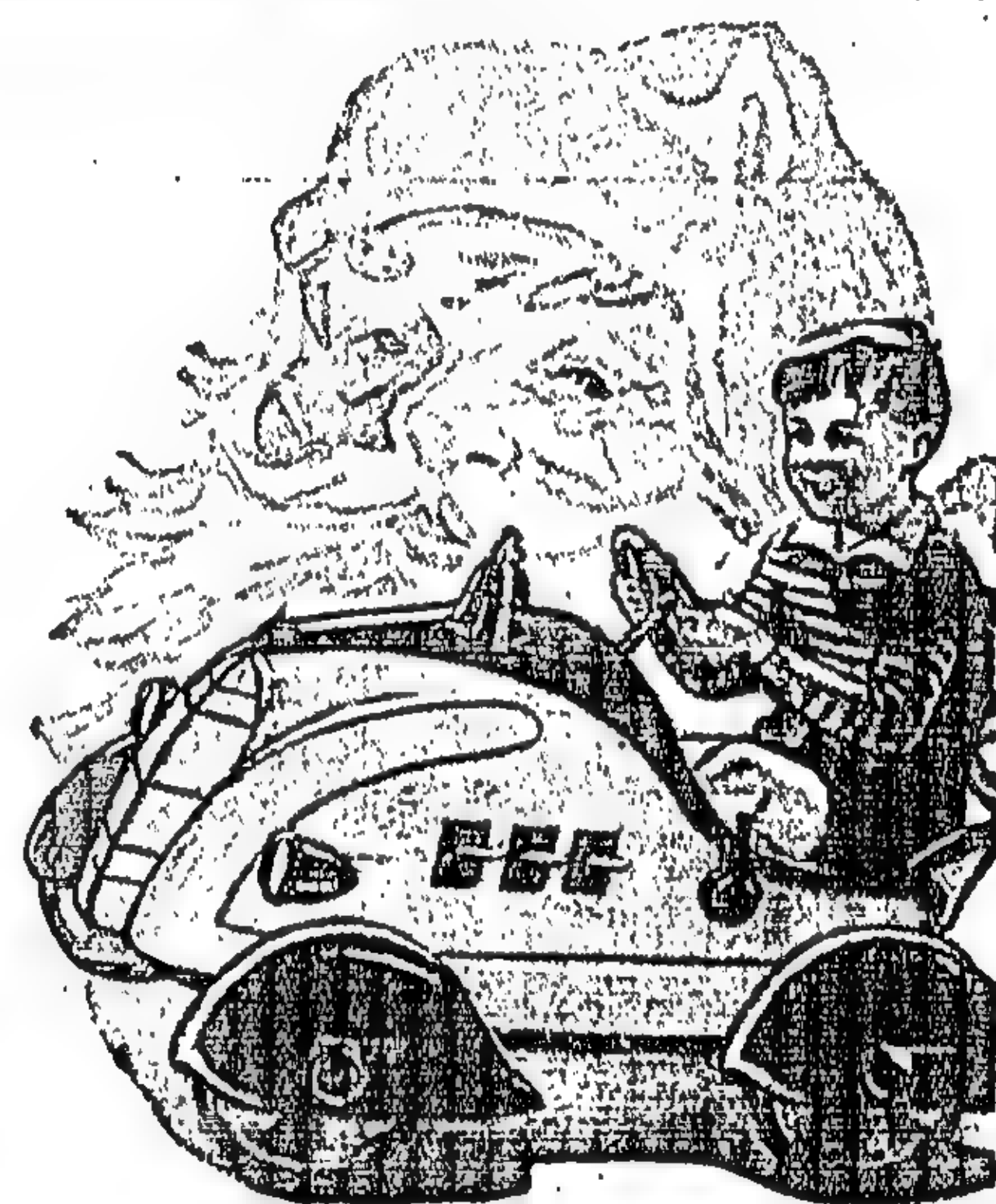
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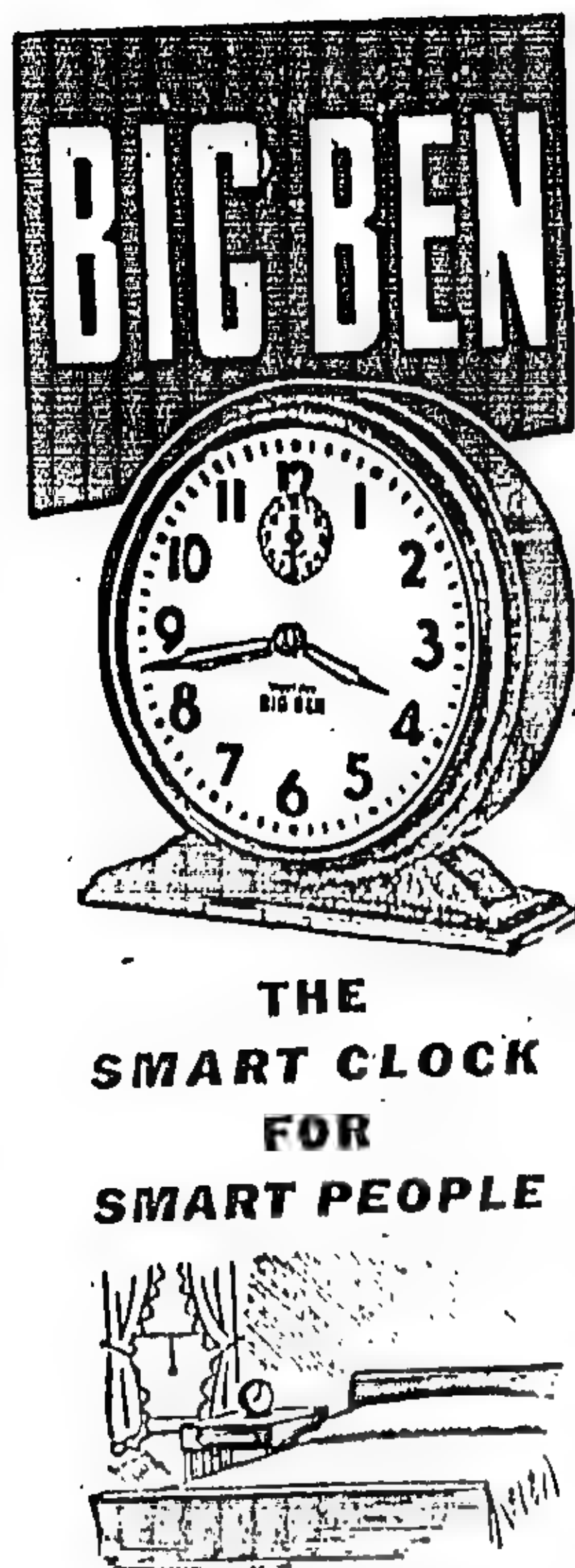
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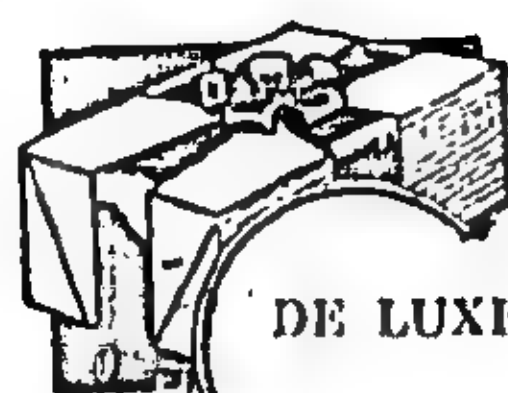
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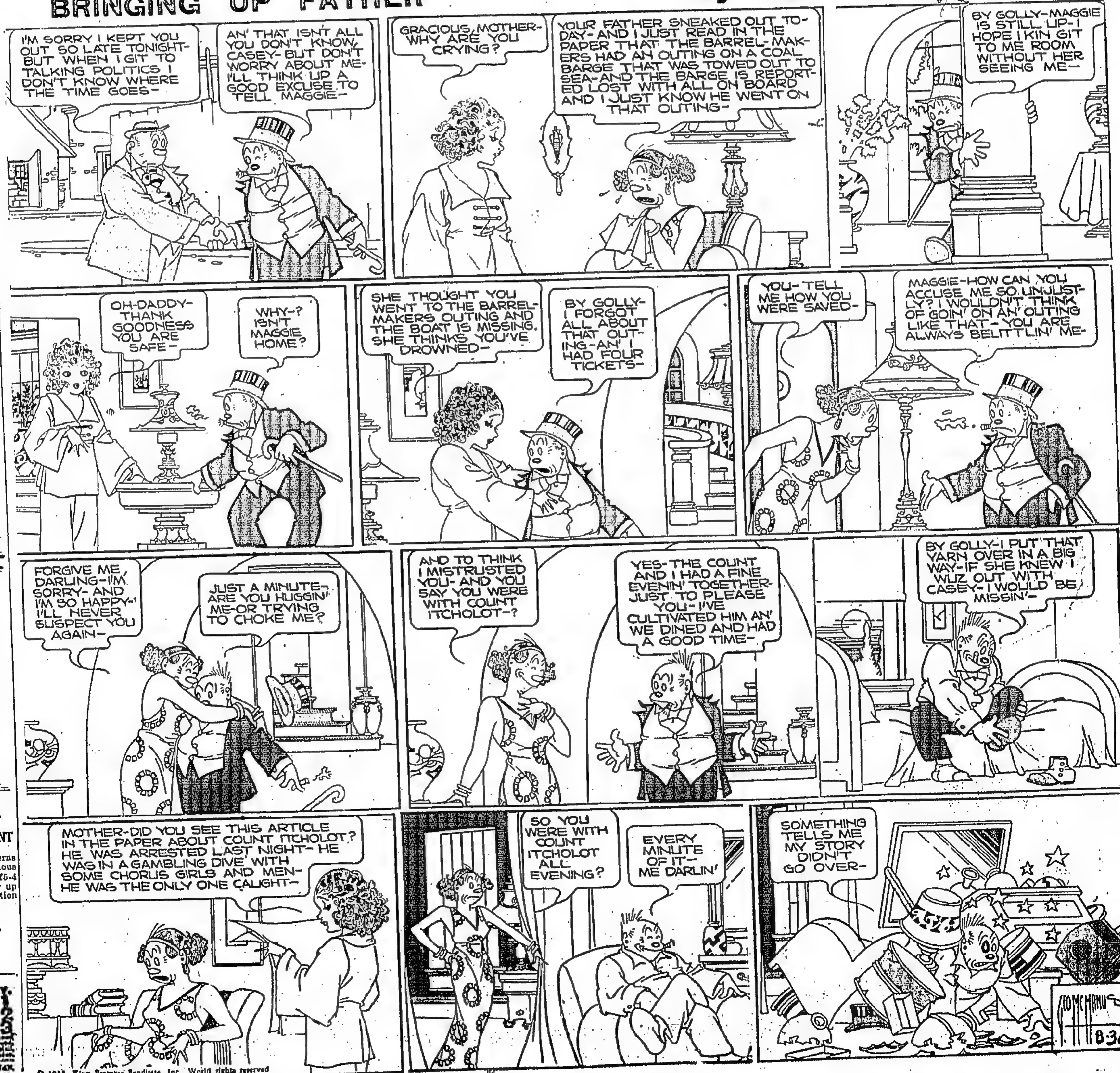
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Beyond All Wisdom

BECAUSE there are so many people who do not, because they cannot, believe in Jesus as a supernatural being, I want to write this article. I believe that the number of people who come into this category is much greater than we may imagine; among them are many church people who are afraid to declare their own honest thoughts on the subject for fear they should hurt the feeble faith of those for whom they care. I care for them too, and it is because I know that God cares for them, cares that they should be honest in their minds as well as sincere and true in their affections, and sacramental in their lives, that I am going to write the things which I think about Jesus' birthday.

Christmas In Christian Art

Christian Art has always enjoyed great delight in reproducing with a lovely wealth of colour the events attendant upon Jesus' birth as they are told in the Gospel of Matthew and Luke. The achievements of Christian Art in this sphere are right and noble and worthy, because it is perhaps the highest function of Art to capture and preserve in symbolic beauty and significant form, ideas and ideals which a bald historic narrative, however accurate, fails to present to minds which are not vitally imaginative.

Whether the nativity scenes depicted in art, and related in the Gospels of Luke and Matthew are actualities of history, or the creation of religious imagination and adoring love, is not, from the point of view of reason and religion, of very vital importance. If the view is accepted that they are the product of primitive Christian religious imagination it must be admitted that, in that case, they express, often in exquisite form, the devout attitude of the Early Church to its Head, and that that attitude constitutes reality of a very precious order.

The Gospel Truth

These Gospel scenes, and the pictures and legends which have grown up around them, present a vision of a truth which is unassailable by reason, the truth that Jesus constitutes a link between the world process and the spiritual reality which is behind the world, the reality which is the only origin of the creative process. The events and happenings recorded in Saint Matthew and Saint Luke, and the whole body of Christian Art which has grown up out of these and which is expressed in pictures and poems and music, symbolise the sacred value of Jesus' personality and the beauty and truth in the quality of his mission.

A short resume of the difficulties which confront historical criticism in these stories will not be out of place. The reference in Saint Luke to the decree of Caesar Augustus (B.C. 30-A.D. 14) in whose reign Jesus has been born is the kernel of the historical problem. There appears to be no reliable historic record of the imperial census or enrol-

ment which Saint Luke refers to as having taken place during the reign of Herod the Great (B.C. 37-4). This difficulty is intensified by the fact that Saint Luke says that "the whole world" i.e. the whole Roman Empire, was thus enrolled, and surely if such an enrolment was taken there would be some direct evidence of it somewhere other than in the writings of a Jewish doctor. There was an imperial enrolment in Palestine in A.D. 6 which led to the rebellion of Judas of Galilee, the Zealot, and for this enrolment adequate evidence exists (Acts V: 37). But for the other, if we rely upon Saint Luke, at the best we are relying upon conjecture. There may have been some local census instituted by Herod the Great which Luke wrongly supposed to have imperial authority and sanction but even for such a local census, we have to admit that there is no historic evidence whatever.

Another important difficulty is that presented by Saint Mat-

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thew's account of the birth of Jesus. He makes no reference to Nazareth as the original home of Joseph and Mary, or of any journey made by them to Bethlehem. He obviously regards Bethlehem as their home and tells that it was in obedience to a divine oracle, and in fulfilment of an ancient prophecy, that Joseph and Mary with the infant Jesus made their second home in Nazareth.

So much then for these incidents; the fact that they cannot be verified historically, detracts nothing from their real value. If they are taught, and if we accept them as religion and not history, accept them for their symbolic sacramental value, and not because of their historical accuracy, then we will be drawing nearer the real beauty and meaning of the celebration of Christmas in the Christian Church.

The Catholic Faith

There are thousands of course for whom this difficulty casts no shadow over the meaning of Christmastide, to whom, in very fact, this difficulty does not exist, they accept that Jesus was a supernatural being—that he was begotten of God from the body of a woman. But there are, an increasing number of thousands, to whom such a belief is sheer nonsense, they cannot share it because they do not know what it means. The holding of this Catholic Faith implies of course, the tenet that Jesus was also very Man. And that is the crowning difficulty for those who do not share this faith. To believe that Jesus was begotten of God means that his life came to be upon this

earth in one way and in one way only. No reasoning man can accept the belief that any single event can happen in two different ways at one and the same time.

A Century Of Higher Criticism

A whole century of historical and literary criticism has been given in an attempt to create for us the actual Jesus of history. It is a matter for deep regret, however, that many earnest Christians, who have been forced by their reason to accept the results of this criticism, have thereby suffered an impoverishment of their religion, and have been left with a feeling of disillusion and emptiness, a feeling even of sacrilege. The reason for this unhappy result lies in the fact that so many critics have made the assumption that Jesus was just an ordinary sort of man. The Germans have been the worst offenders against truth and against humanity in this field, although the taint of their researches can be found among many English critics. Jesus was not an ordinary sort of man, and I for one, could believe with a greater readiness and freedom, in the most outrageous of stories, before I could accept that stupid, invalid assumption.

The Secret Of Jesus

The secret of Jesus is one that no man has yet learned, but I believe that it will eventually be found along the way of his real humility. "Humility is a question of knowing the truth about oneself," and history has proved that the estimate made by this humblest of all men concerning his own being and powers, was nearer the divine truth than that made by any other. Indeed, Jesus' judgment of himself is to me at least, final proof (I need no other) of the reality of his divine nature. It is an avenue which every man and woman must explore in their own lives, before they can become convinced of its truth, before they really know that it is possible for them to become one with Christ in purpose and in love.

A Happy Christmas

In whatever form of religious worship we may each choose to thank God for the birth of Christ, I am confident that we will find real happiness if we thank Him for His first-born son, if in lowly reverence we praise Him for the love and the wisdom of the Jesus who, the centuries tell us, was born as the "Babe of Bethlehem". And even if we have to no other conception of him than that of humanity, let us remember that he was not only wise, but that he was also supremely loving, "TO BE WISE AND LOVE—THIS IS BEYOND ALL WISDOM."

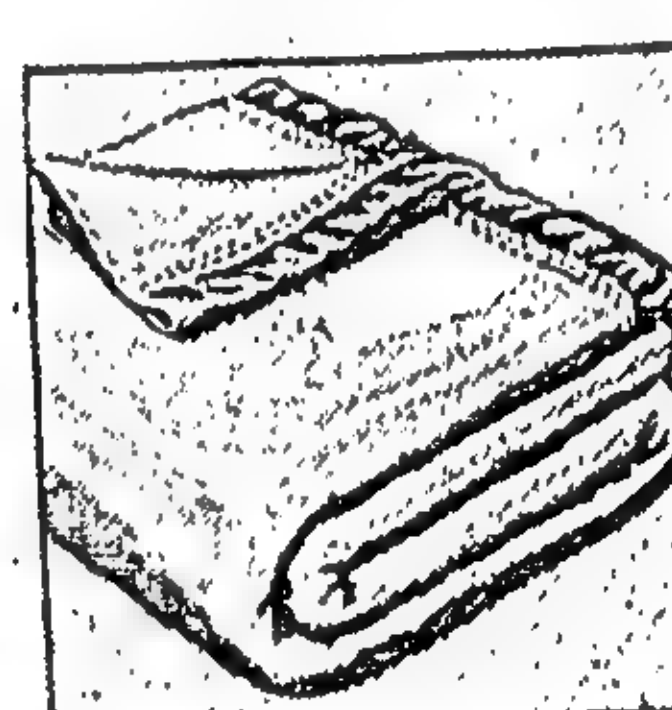
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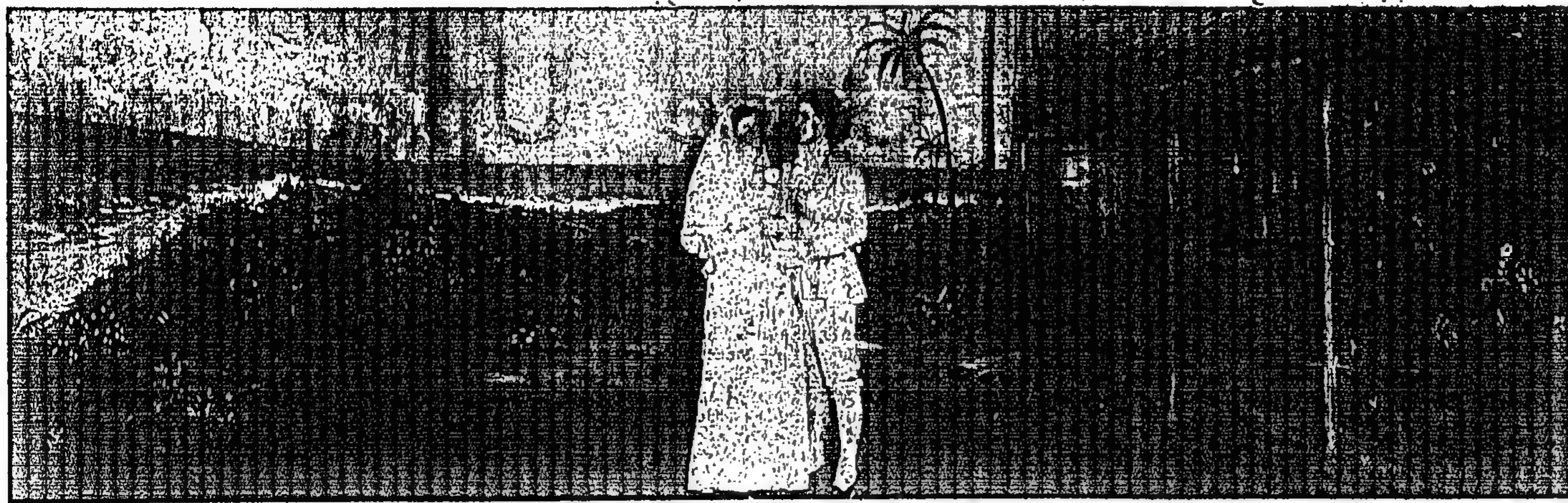
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What is it makes the part go?
The brains and wit of the two-
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Not in the type of spire I know
The brains too soon are lost in
the strife.
I'll tell you what's the motive force
It's twinkling scintillating stuff
It's stuff you never stuff enough
Nor know it 'til you've run your
course
It's wine, wine
Blude-red wine
The stuff that quenched Sir Patrick
Spens
And still to-day's a rosy lens
Through which to view spire's ex-
posed
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Life of the party.

What is it makes the panto go?
The brains and charm who head
the line?
Whoever heard of brains at panto?
They're merely there to make it
fine!
But, ah, just tell me who they are
Who make the sourest audience
sweet
Transforms the panto to a treat
And gets them lined up to the
Prayer?
The chorus, chorus
Ladies' chorus
Watch 'em tinkle to their places
My, so many fetching faces
My, so many charming—lases!
Pronto, scanto
Life of the panto.

The curtain's up and with a bang!
The music's playing fit to prance!
No single moment seems to hang
Through songs, adventure and
romance.
And through the jostle who has
smiled?
The merry hurly-burly fails
To quell the winking at the males
No effort spared to keep wives
wild!
"Mine, mine
Is number nine!"
He's shushed in time by the look
that kills.
The show is done, but too, life's
ills—
The chorus did it—Smiles and frills!
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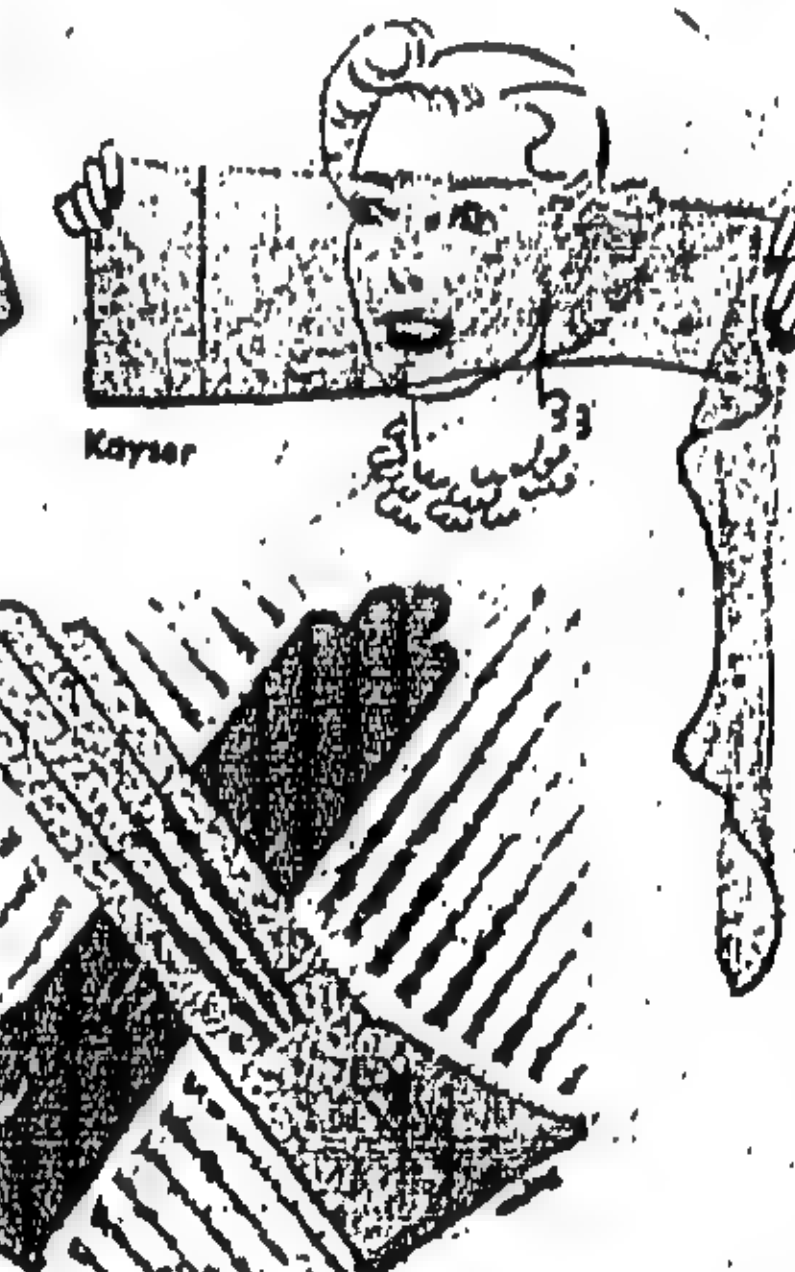
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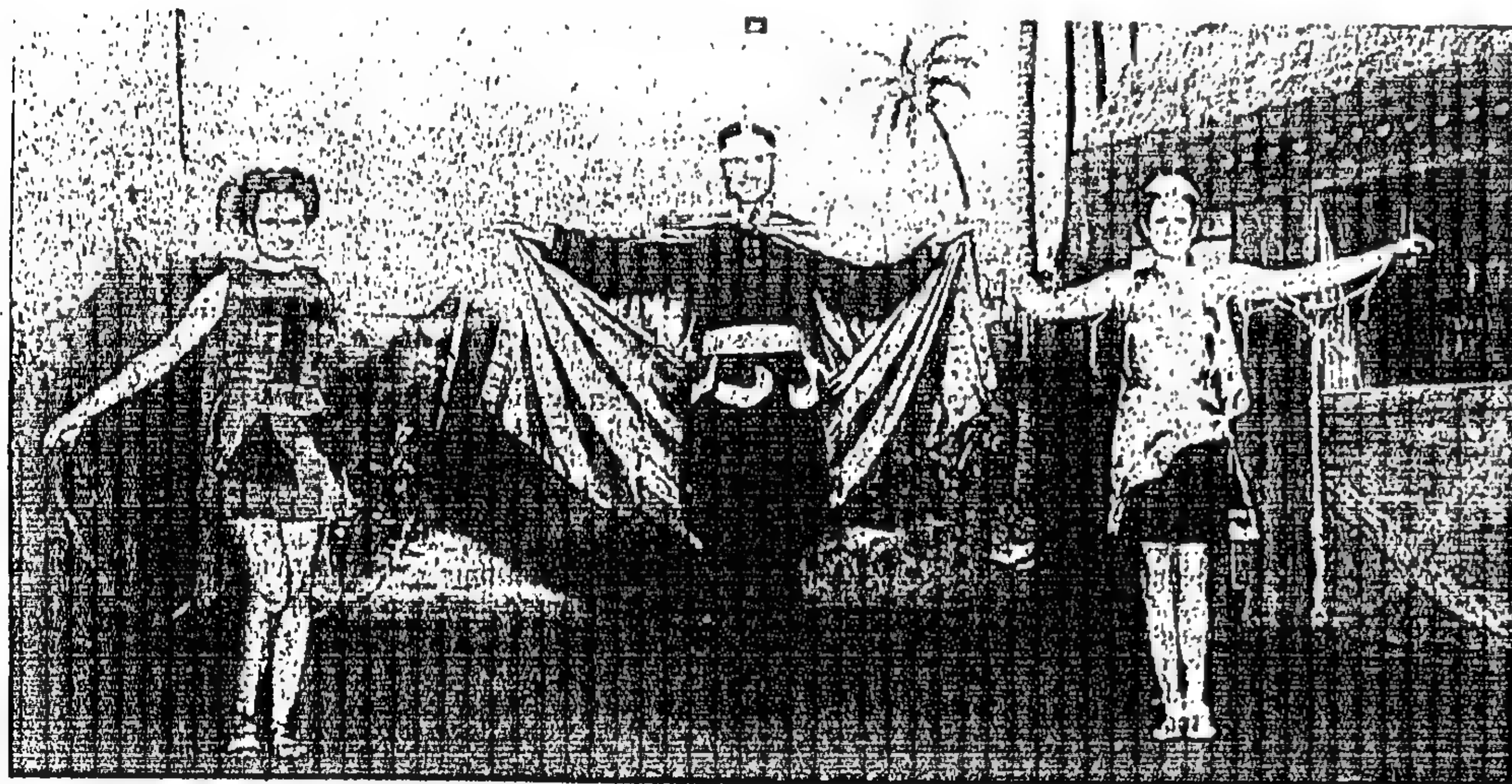
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CHRISTMAS

"A Baby is a harmless thing
And wins our hearts with
one accord,
And Flower of Bibles was
their King,
Jesus Christ our Lord."

And it is on Christmas day
that our thoughts linger with
this Flower of Bibles, the Christ
Child, "wrapped in swaddling
clothes, lying in a manger."
Linger, wandering on only to
embrace the whole world of bab-
ies... this is their Feast Day,
the day on which we would see
nothing but happiness, for
"Christmas hath a beauty
Lovelier than the world can
show."
Birds sing, bells ring, Christmas
Trees light up, and little ones
kneel at the crib wondering, de-
lighting and lovingly fingering
their gifts of remembrance.

Delight,
As a Magic Stick

Delight, as a magic stick, has
transformed the house. All
the earth's at play. Beasts with
great noses and swell backs
battle one another, fluffy ones
so nice to touch lie beneath
images and pictures; feathers
and bubbles float to animate a
boundless universe. Bright pic-
ture books, wonder books, all
beautifully new, are opened.
There's a peeping into fairy-
tales, a lingering over the gentle;
there's the jingling music of
nonsense rhymes.

Once Upon
A TimeThe Banbury
Cockhorse

How did all this delicious lore
creep into English nurseries?
That fish, for instance, big
enough to be mistaken for an
elephant and his castle, known
in England as early as the thir-
teenth century and famous in
London to-day?

Before Alice
And Carroll

One thing clear about child-
ren's books in England is that
before Alice—as late as all that
—they were dominated by ever
so many restraining influences.
It has been said that modern
science, while reducing man to
zero, has banished fear from his
universe. Be that as it may, in
Shakespeare's limited cosmos
fear met him at every turn; not
sin but Evil itself was the foe.
The dread of evil as an inva-
sion, an unprovoked fury, res-
trained and restricted all move-
ment in the world of children's
books.

Books meant for children be-
fore the seventeenth century
contemplated two sorts of read-
er: those who could take a suit-
able place in good society and
those who would in one way or
another, serve the Church. Girls
had not much future beyond the
domestic arts, wifehood and
motherhood, or a nunnery. For
boys the alternatives are shown
vividly enough by Chaucer: a
well-born lad could become a
squire, a monk or a minor ser-
vant outside orders or vows,
that is, if he had received any
education at all.

The Critic Looks
At Cinderella

These tales were not alto-
gether welcome in England.
"Cinderella," says one author,
"is perhaps one of the most ex-
ceptional books that was ever
written for children. It paints
some of the worst passions that
can enter into the human breast
and of which (sic) little child-
ren should, if possible, be total-
ly ignorant, such as envy, jeal-
ousy, a dislike of step-mother
and half sisters, vanity, and love
of dress." There are people
even to-day who object to the

Of wonders wild and new,
In friendly chat with bird or
beast—
And half believe it true."

The Fairy
World

The Chinese do not seem to
have had any literature of this
kind; it is only their nursery
rhymes that seem to serve the
same purpose as ours; little
jingles the mother sings to
amuse and liven the child.

"This little lady has very
small feet;
What does she like best of all
to eat?
She likes sugar but cannot
buy it,
But sits cross-legged and
weeps for it."

The European grown-up has
always been aloof from the fairy
world; he has created a land
of dreams and magic especially
for children, smiles upon it,
but remains outside. How dif-
ferent a story in China! All
Chinese literature is filled with
the strange, the weird and
fantastic; tales accepted by the
mature as well as the young. No
need then to create any special
compartment for the children.
All China marvels very early at
what appears before them in
one instant and vanishes the
next, and consider this as mani-
festations of a supernatural
world, not as marvels of science:
the sprouting and falling of
foliage, the whistling of the
wind, the movement of streams
are extraordinary phenomena to
them. The child lives in a fan-
tastic world of falling stars, of
the flight of herons, of the sound
of talking stones and of ants
battling together; romantic
gentlemen in search of young
maidens gently smiling, and
themselves passing through a
wall as if riding on a cloud; the
fox's daughter marries, with
ornaments that go tinkle, tinkle
as she walks along, her flutter-
ing sleeves perfuming the air
around.

Delightful
World of China

Terror haunts but certainly:
fearful peals may shake the very
hills, trees to torn up, horrid
beasts with sharp beaks and
long claws unfold out of a
dense black column of smoke;
but if he has courage in his
world of dreams the clouds roll
by and he is visited by wondrous
visions.

Delightful world of China! A
young lady goes about with her
maid; she has just picked a
sprig of plum blossom; a young
boy stares at her. She, laugh-
ing and talking, drops the flow-
er. The boy picks it up and it
seems he had lost his wits. He
goes back home in a very melan-
choly mood and putting the flow-
er under his pillow lies down to
sleep. He will neither talk nor
eat and by degrees gets thin
and ill, until one day, conceal-
ing the flower in his sleeve, he
goes off by himself and finds
her to be the daughter of a
fox.

Frogs Sing
In Harmony

Frogs sing doh, re, me, fa in
perfect time and harmony, mice
with mask on their faces stand
on their hind legs and perform
like human actors, flower-
nymphs plead not to be regarded
as realities—a world so varied,
so fanciful, soes the child
hither and thither in the di-
rection of the wind, in places
where camellias grow twenty
feet high; on lakes where mar-
ine creatures take on the ap-
pearance of the ancients and
play ball with a huge ball, lus-
trous within and without, which,
when kicked by a human pour
forth a stream of light like a
rainbow and making as it falls
a curve like that of a comet
rushing across the sky; where
eyes are as big as pomegranates
and faces black as pitch; to a
land of cannibals where the
King travels in a gust of wind
as rapidly as a bird can fly,
along magic paths and—

King Of The Christmas
Tree: By A. Groom

"My dear subjects," cried the
big Christmas tree in
ringing tones, "to-day is a great
day in our lives, and I want you
to behave yourselves when the
men come to choose us and take
us away for Christmas. As
king of the Christmas trees, I
want you to be good."

"You're not our king!" cried a
voice. "We didn't elect you, you
elected yourself."
"Who said that?" demanded the
big tree angrily, but not a single
tree in the large plantation own-
ed up; they were all rather afraid
of the big tall fellow who boasted
so much, and thought it best not
to annoy him openly. "Very
well, then," declared the self-
styled king, "unless the tree who
called out owns up, I shall tell
the men to go to the next planta-
tion and leave you all for another
year." And he lapsed into stern
silence.

Presently the owner of the
plantation arrived with a num-
ber of helpers. "Now watch,"
hissed the big tree, "I'll just tell
the chief how naughty you've all
been, and he'll dig me up and
leave all of you where you are."
And the speaker bent his topmost
branches and whispered in the
ear of the owner of all the
Christmas trees in that part of
the country.

"I'm sorry to have to tell you
this," he said sadly, "but as king
of the trees I consider it to be
my duty. I feel... This
time he stopped speaking be-
cause no one was listening to
him; the owner of the trees stalk-
ing through the rows and rows
of sturdy trees and pointing out
which ones were to be taken.

At first the biggest of them all
couldn't believe his eyes, but
gradually it dawned upon him
that HE was to be left and all
the others, with the exception of
the littlest ones, were to go away
to make thousands of children
and grown-ups happy. "Hel
Ho!" giggled a cheeky tree, as he
was placed on a cart. "You've
lost your crown—or—your
majesty! Ha! Ha!"

Others took up the laughter
until the whole plantation echoed
with it. "What about the big

fellow?" asked one man sudden-
ly, when the job was nearly
finished.

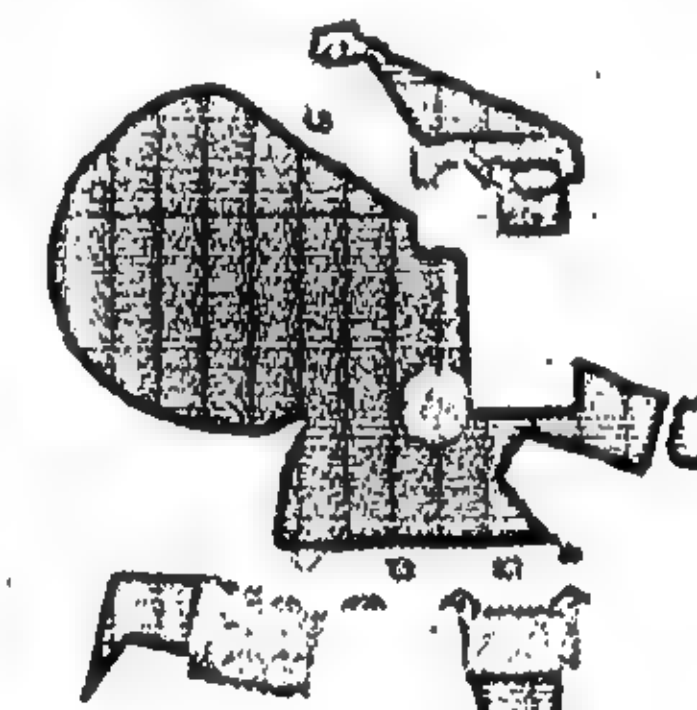
The owner shrugged his
shoulders. "He's too big," he
answered, "nobody wants Christ-
mas trees like that these days.
We'll burn him in the hall at my
house over Christmas."

For the next few days the big
chap tried to make up for his
boastful behaviour of the past by
telling the little trees the most
beautiful stories and amusing
them in many other ways. Then
came a morning, just before
Christmas, when the owner of the
plantation arrived with some men
and two ladies. "Well," said the
big tree with a deep sigh, "this
is the end. I hope I burn bright-
ly!" he added.

"There you are madam!" said
the owner, pointing towards the
tree who thought he was the
king, "you can have that one if
you like, and I'll deliver him for
you."

"Oh THANK you, Mr. Brown!"
exclaimed one of the ladies. "It
is good of you. Why he's a
KING amongst Christmas trees.
The children at the Orphanage
will adore him."

For a moment the big tree
thought he was dreaming, when
he heard that he was going to
delight all the children at the
Orphanage, but the little ones
around him soon showed him
that he was wide awake. "We
ARE glad!" they whispered.
"Yes," squeaked the smallest
of them all, "and we know you
were a king ALL the time. Good-
bye, your majesty, GOOD-BYE!"



cruelty in stories such as "Jack
the Giant Killer"—a story that
is really English and home-
made. But the child sees only
the purely fantastic and never
connects the incidents with the
real world in any way.

The conventional view of a
hundred years ago is set forth
in the "Cautionary Tales" in
which a little girl makes a fuss
because they are putting on her
white sash when she wants her
pink one:

"Papa, who in the parlour
heard
Her make the noise and rout,
That instant went to Caroline,
To whip her, there's no
doubt."

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Or Pincushion

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which will infallibly make Tom-
my a good Boy and Polly a good
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alone 6d. with a Ball or Pin-
cushion 8d."

"Lewis Carroll is not born
every day" we are told when we
mourn the scarcity of good books
for children. Lewis Carroll was
a coach and lecturer at Christ
Church when one afternoon he
went on the Upper River at
Oxford with the three little Lid-
dells, daughters of the Dean and
was asked to tell them a tale.

"All in the golden afternoon
Full leisurely we glide, . . .
Anon, to sudden silence won,
In fancy they pursue
The dream-child moving
through a land

Christmas Messages From The Churches

FROM THE BABY CHURCH

I do not know why so many people observe Christmas who do not observe any other Christmas feast. The happy memories of childhood's Christmas day, when there was a family armistice, and no hint of rich delicious foods, and all the day was fun for children may have something to do with it; there lingers still in maturity some trace of the joy that children once had in the birthday of Jesus, and there are still, thank God, children to keep us childlike on one day in the year. But I think there is more than that. Even to those who are quite unconcerned with Christianity, the Christmas message of the angels, with their praise of God who has given such a gift to men, finds an echo in the deepest longings of every heart. "Glory to God in the highest," they sang "and on earth peace." And no man but feels the fitness of the words, though the business of his living may leave no room for giving the glory to God, and the affairs of the world make the gift of peace seem something utterly unreal.

But peace is the greatest need of this world, and the dearest need of all the people in it. Not only peace between nation and nation, but peace of a man with himself. Not even the peace that is rest from striving, but the peace that is strength exerted in equilibrium, like the smooth, unhurried working of a mighty machine, which is running in perfect balance. We need deep peace in the midst of all the striving that we are built to do. Not sleep, but balanced action. That is the peace that Jesus Christ gives. The newest of the churches in this colony is called Christ Church, and its patronal festival is Christmas day; and on the tower of the church is set a very large, and not very beautiful cross. The sign of Christ's church is not a sleeping baby, nor is it a madonna, with quiet eyes adoring her son; the sign of the church is a cross, and though it is a cross empty, the crucified one having risen, in triumph, it is still the sign of Christian peace. Those to whom Jesus said "My peace I give unto you" found no such peace as the world gives, in sleep or drugs; they left home and friends, and wandered about as outcasts, their very lives in continual danger; yet they knew the strange new peace of Christ, though they found it sometimes on a cross. That is the peace that Christ was born to give. So that they who know Him, and follow Him may have deep peace in the midst of deep pain. That peace comes from the certainty that though all the world is set against the Christian, he has on his side all the power of God. Though they crucify Jesus, still He triumphs. The whole world cannot destroy the inner peace of those whose hearts

A GLIMPSE BEHIND THE GLITTER OF CHRISTMAS SHOPS AND SHOP WINDOWS

THROUGHOUT the year some people have more time, and more desire, than others to look at the shop windows. At this time of year, however, few can escape the attractive nets spread by the art of the trader.

Perhaps we have to be dragged to see the shows by some one much smaller than ourselves; but having arrived in the crowded, glittering streets, we are captured by the Christmas shopping spirit.

In many instances, for just this once in the year, the whole shop becomes a window, and we are invited to treat it as such. The lavish display, the persuasiveness of the shopkeeper or his assistants, is the climax of many months of planning, thinking, inventiveness, and salesmanship, and we are required to pay homage to the skill and elaborateness of the campaign.

Passing through the shop, crammed with a hundred marvels, we may hear some one say, "What will they think of next?" But few of us give a thought as to how far back goes the thinking whose results we see spread before us.

Long months ago, when, no doubt, we were thinking about our summer holidays, manufacturers were planning for Christmas. The creative minds of their staffs were called upon to discuss possibilities and make suggestions. Then big buyers were consulted, and there were discussions as to how certain things would attract the public eye.

Decisions were made, many of which became trade secrets, only to be revealed at the right moment. All this thought and planning went on that there might be for every one a gift that will appeal and meet a need.

In the same way, was not the great Gift for which Christmas stands the result of our Heavenly Father's long-thought-out plan to redeem a world which had misused His first gifts of Beauty, Love, and Freedom? There were the long years over which good men came, lived, passed on. They

are set on righteousness, and nothing in the world can give peace to those who are not in their hearts sure that they walk in the ways of the Prince of Peace.

"Happy are they, they that love God,
Whose hearts have Christ confessed.
Who by His cross have found their life,
And 'neath His yoke their rest.
Christ to their homes giveth His peace..."

To all who read these lines I wish a happy Christmas, and in their hearts the peace of God.

DAVID ROSENTHAL.

THE ETERNAL SECRET

THERE are those who make a fine art of Christmas. They practise an austere discipline and refuse to open parcels, letters and even cards till the Day dawns. Weak-flesh, like mine, can wait no longer than the early hours of December 25th and then, switching on the light, tears open the envelopes and opens the door to all the kindly remembering friends. Then I can go out to Church, where Bethlehem comes to Hong Kong, in their company under the pale remnant of the stars. But I know some who will not learn the secret they know so well till Christmas dinner is on the table.

"The secret they know so well." This message can be nothing else. We know the Story backwards. Perhaps the shepherds have forgotten what they heard; but we know every word of the angels' song. Yet there is a secret every year. Something about God's Son in the Stable that we never expected happens, and it might be as new as the commonplace miracle of every other baby's birth.

There is no secret about the way these Messages are set forth. The "Sunday Herald" is as public as the Inn Yard of Bethlehem; but within the words it publishes, as among the clamour of importunate guests one Night long ago a secret is labouring to the light and a cry among torn pages is word made flesh to those with ears to hear.

Listen then. Not to the words we write but to the eternal secret they serve. You will not hear a secret become a solution of all the world's problems and your own—but will find the mystery of God made a man.

"The holy babe you there shall find,
To human view displayed.
And out of His mouth comes your wisdom; from His side your remodelling; from His hands your life's blood.
May Christmas, 1937, unfold to your listening heart the secret you know so well.

H. W. BAINES.

THE PEACE OF CHRISTMAS IN THE MIND OF CHRIST

(Continued from Page 9)

earth, the angels sang it, the song of peace in love, even in the love of God:

"And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly army, praising God and saying: Glory to God in the highest: and on earth peace to men of good will."

THE GREATER APOSTASY

The angels came and went. But the Prince of Peace—what happened Him? The World, in person of Herod, sought to kill Him: "Herod was exceedingly angry; and sending killed all the men children that were in Bethlehem and in all the borders thereof." How hard it is for men to learn the lesson of Christmas! It is a lesson of values. Men say that they want peace and they prepare for war. How can this be? The prophet replies "my people hath not understood." Peace in the mind of Christ and peace in the mind of the World are two different things. One is sought in pleasure, in the inn of Bethlehem; the other, excluded from the inn, is sought in the heart of God. Pleasure is a business commodity. The World offers to sell it to me, in its theatres, its dance halls, its cabarets, in its sights for the eyes, its music for the ears, jazz—even jazz—its dainties for the palate. It advertises its wares. They are all to hand; they are downstairs, very much downstairs, all of the earth, earthly. Pleasure is very limited, not only limited in the amount of satisfaction it can give, but limited in the number who can enjoy its manufactured toys; so in the gamble for pleasure there is rivalry, followed by the heart-burnings of envy in the world of failure against those who live in the world of success. On a big scale it is called national rivalry. On a small scale it is social unrest. At all events it is not happiness. Oh, it is far, very far from the peace of Christmas.

Peace in the mind of Christ—the peace sung by the angels at

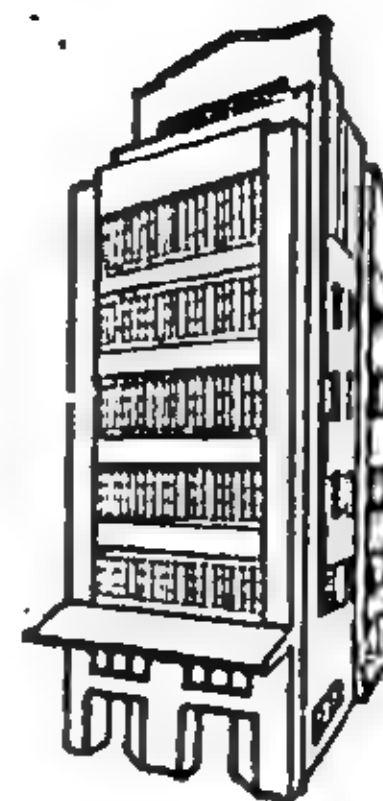
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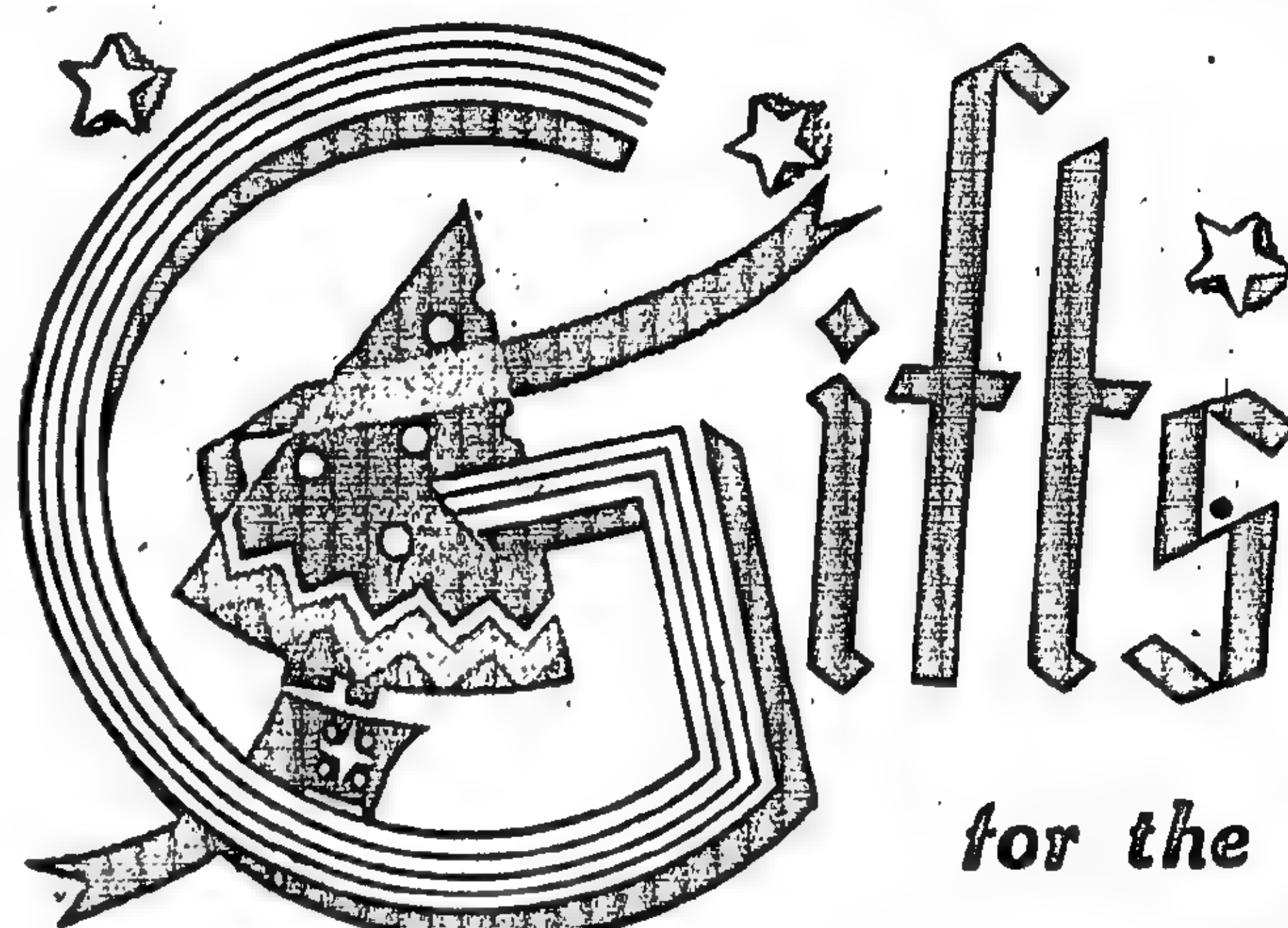
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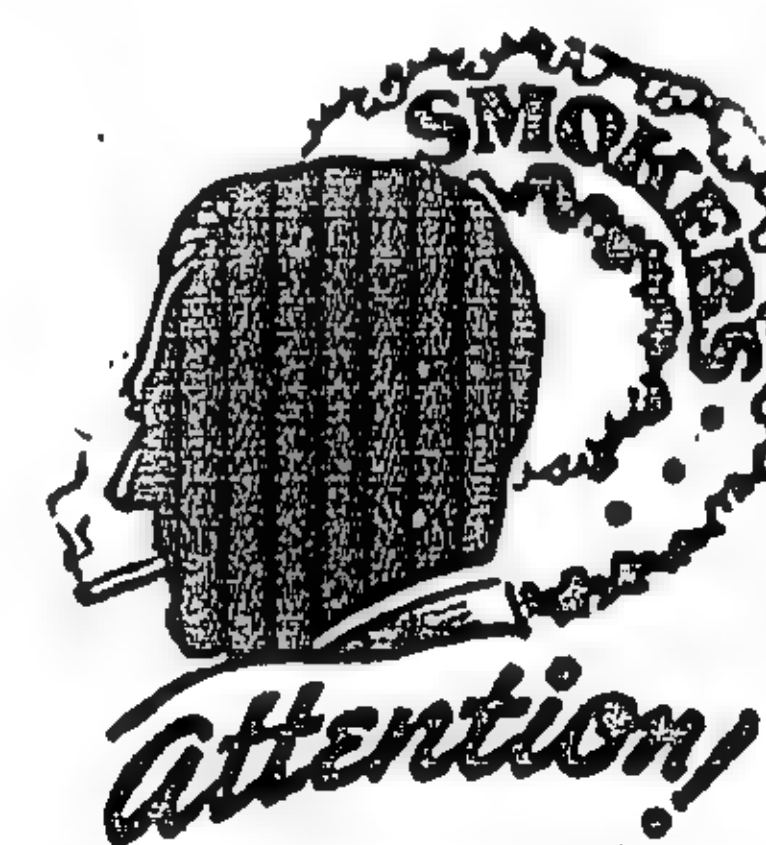


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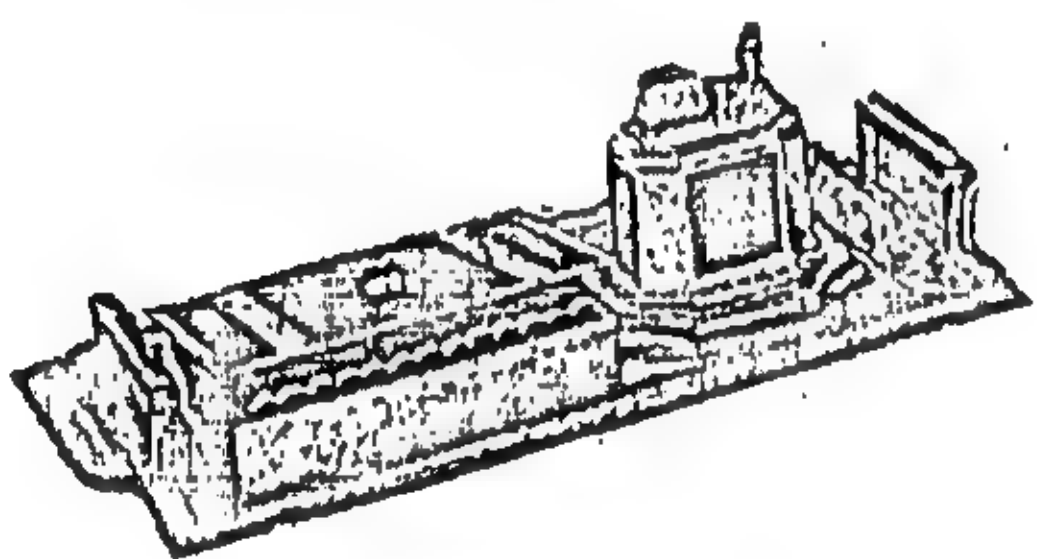


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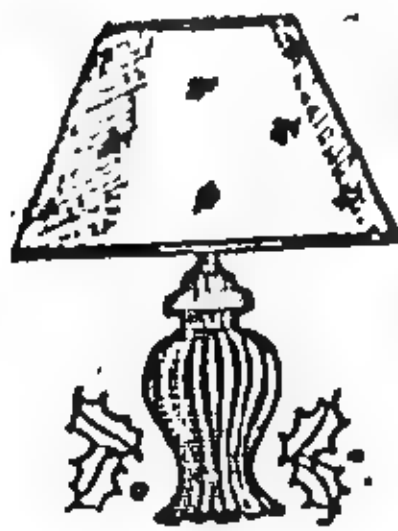
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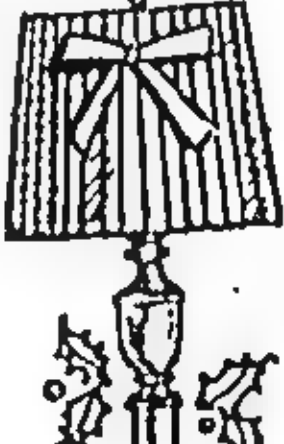


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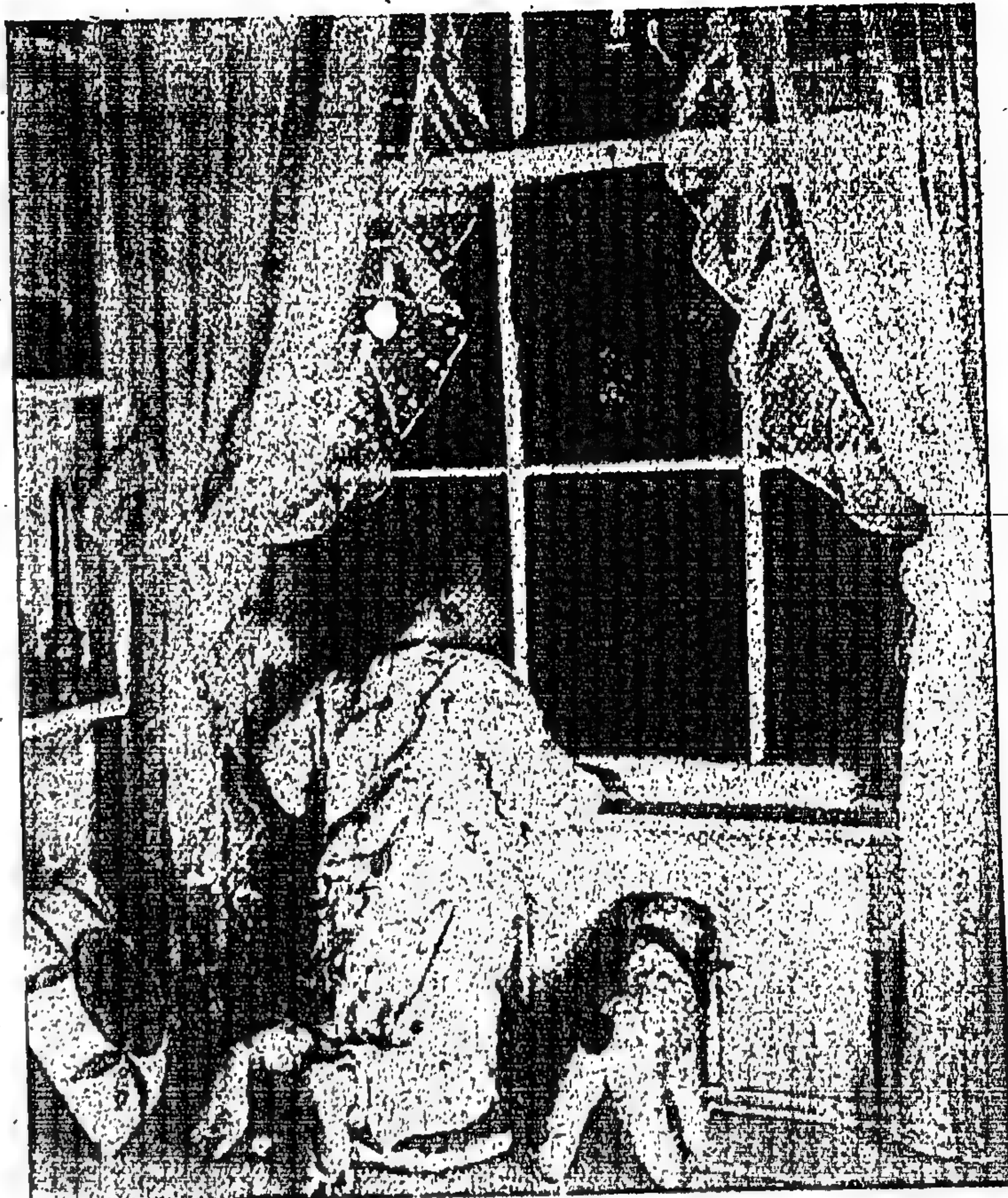
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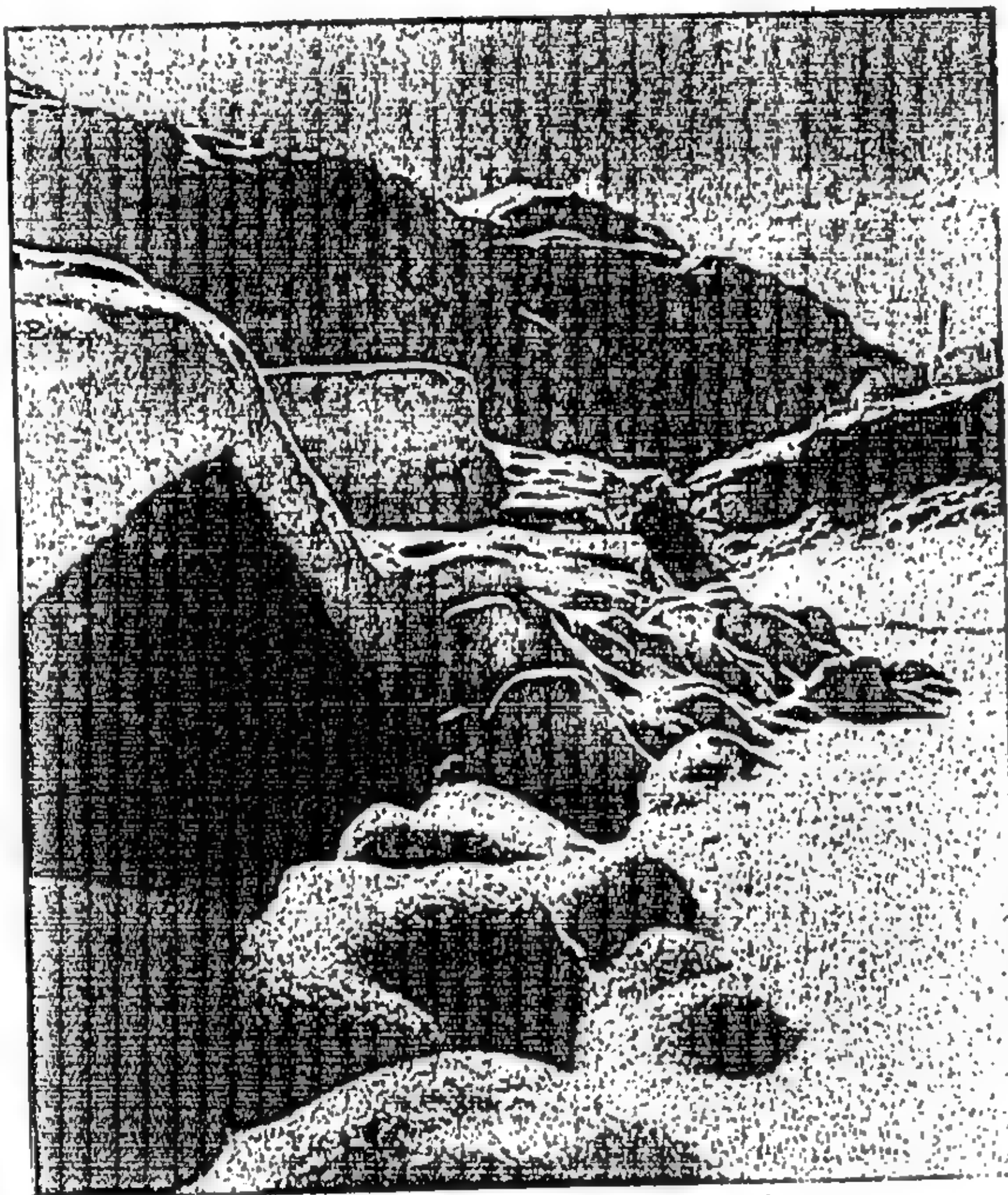
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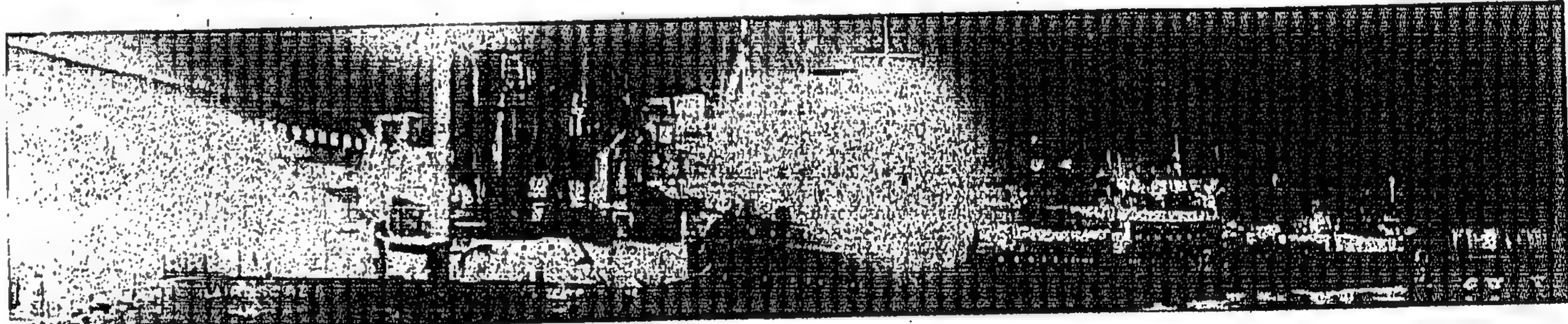
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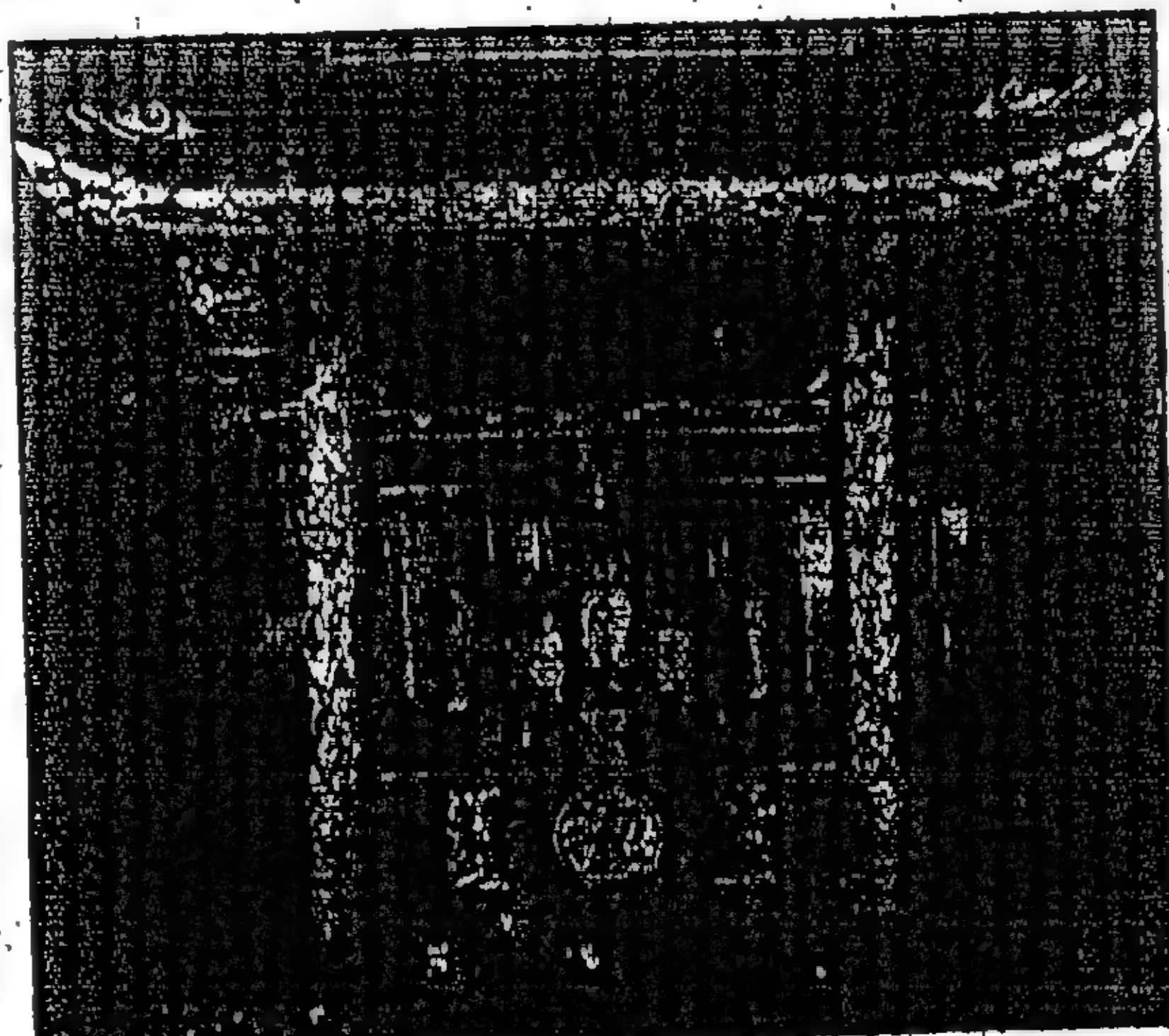
"WINTER" A Rolleflex Study.



The Duchess of Kent helps to brighten Christmas at the Children's Home at Twickenham of the Friends of the Poor. Their new home was opened by the Duchess at the end of last month.



Christmas rush at the docks in England as cargoes destined for the festive season were being loaded night and day for transport to the four corners of the world.



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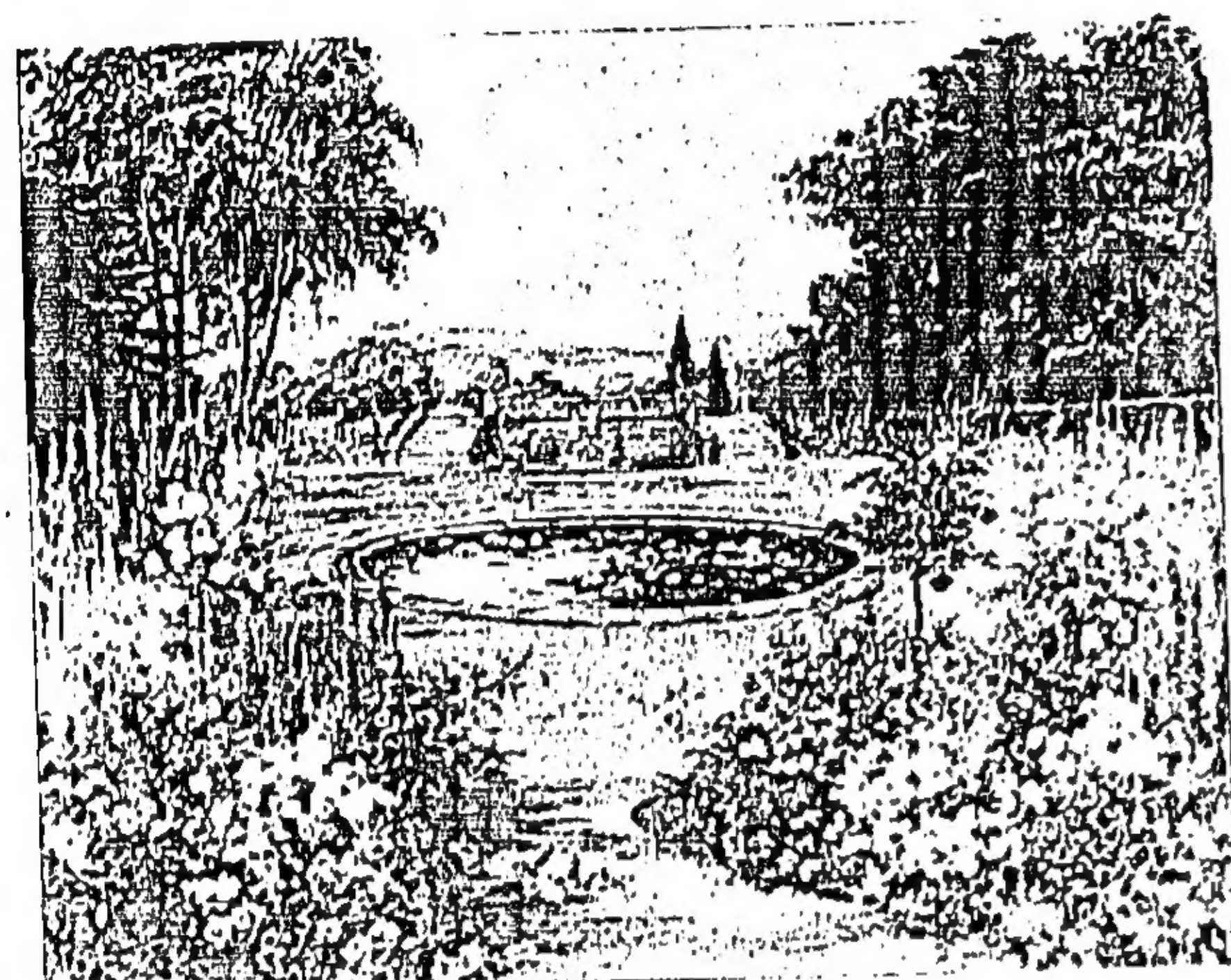
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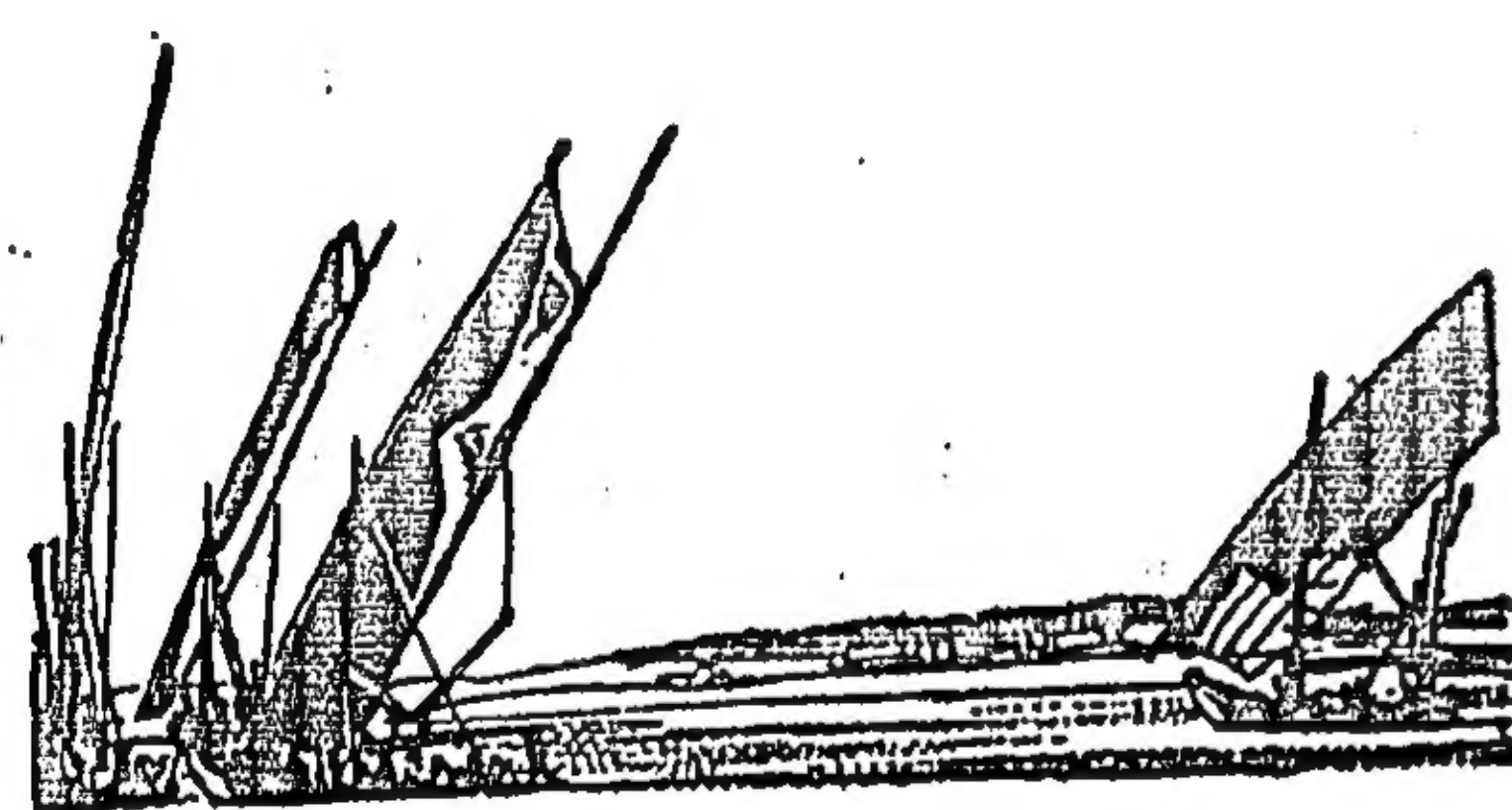
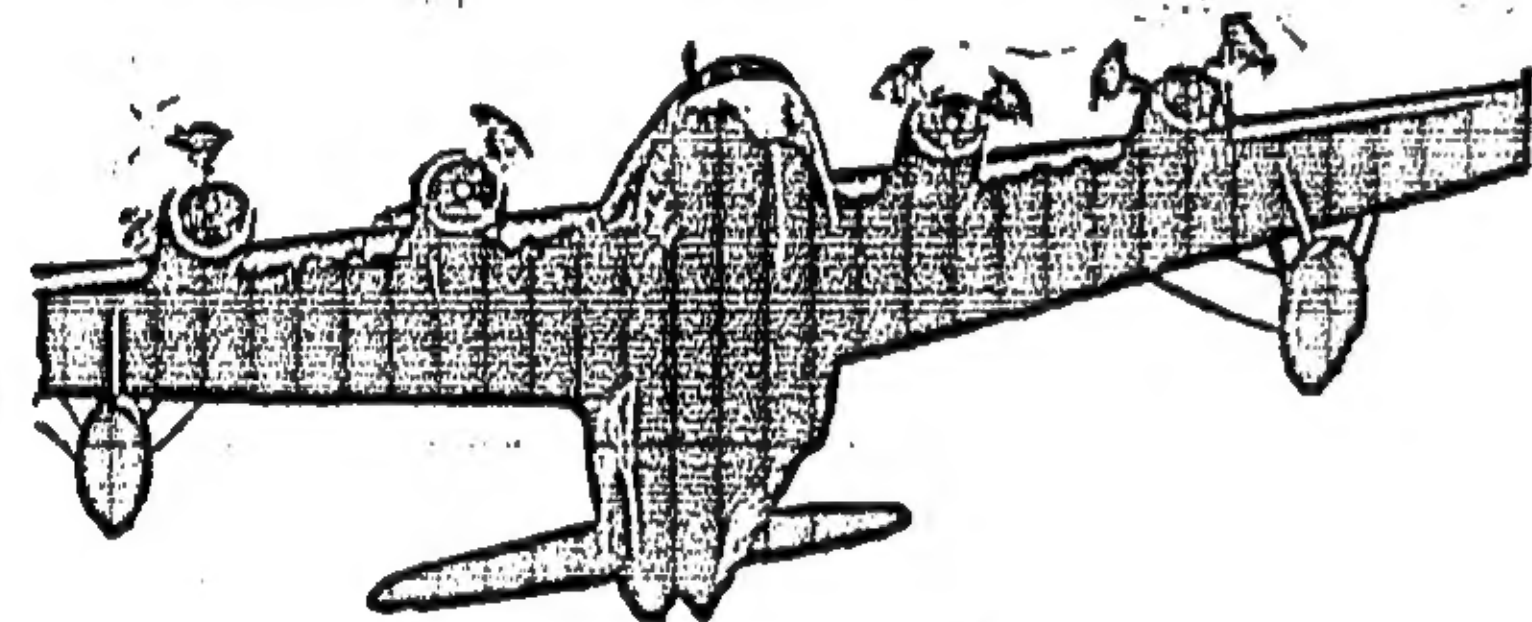
Christmas Cards Of The Royal Family



These pictures show the cards selected this year by the members of the Royal Family, carried out by the famous firm of Raphael Tuck. Above is the card of His Majesty the King.



Queen Mary's card.



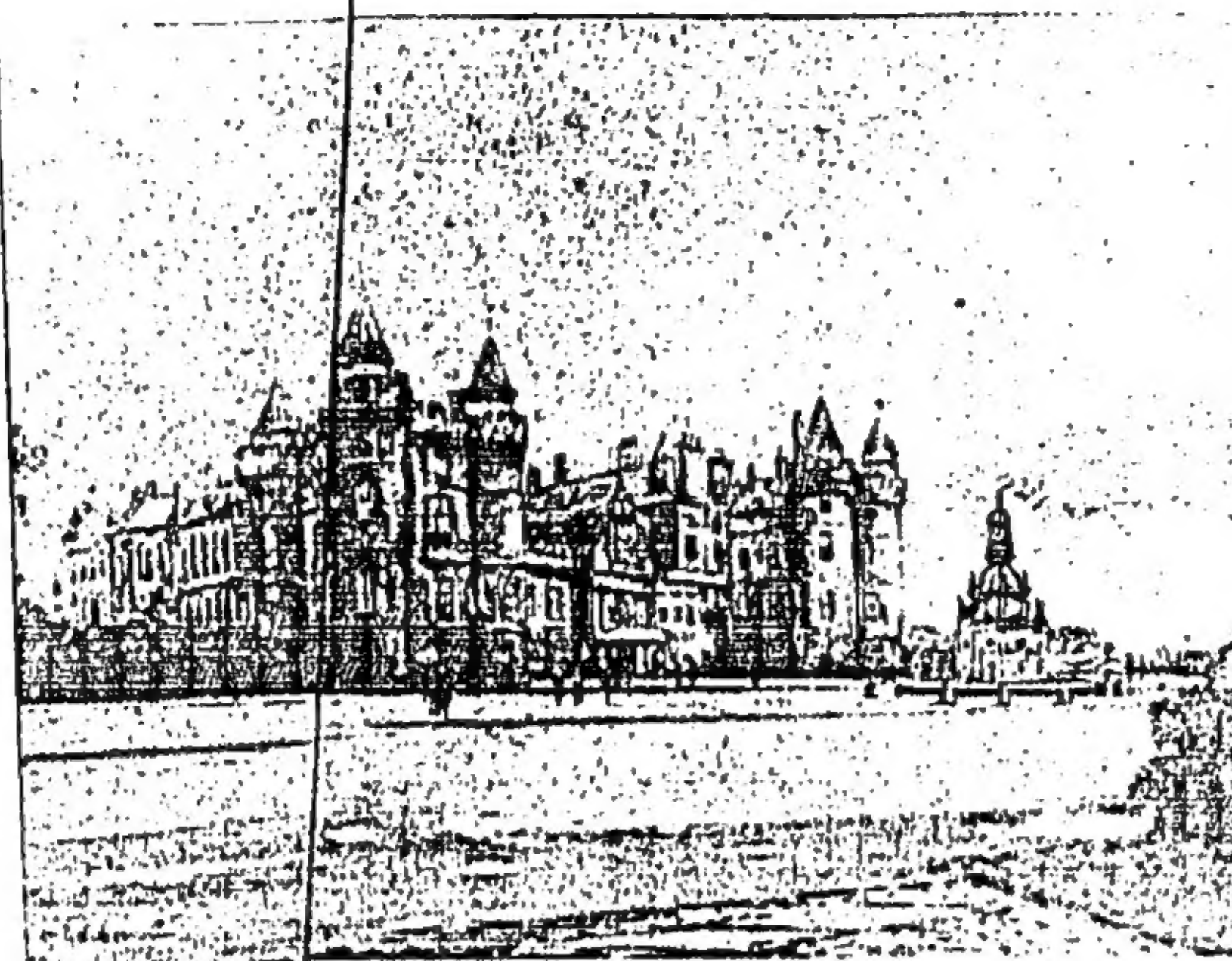
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By FRANCES LEE BARTON

These Two Suggestions
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Winter Menus

Cheerful, colourful desserts are a welcome treat at any season of the year, but if there's one time you really need them it's during the winter. A sparkling, bright dessert helps the family forget about dull days, and helps you get welcome variety into winter meals. Try this dessert for a real winter pick-up.

Prune Medallion Pudding
1 package Lemon or Raspberry Jelly-O
1 pint warm water and prune juice
Dash of salt
Dash of cinnamon

1/2 cup finely cut raisins
1 cup finely cut and cooked prunes
1/2 cup coarse broken nut meats

Dissolve Jelly-O in warm water and prune juice. Add sugar, salt, cinnamon, raisins, and prunes. Chill. When slightly thickened, fold in nuts. Turn into small baking powder tins or moulds. Chill until



firm. Unmould. Serve in slices. Garnish each slice with whipped cream, if desired. Serves 6.

And here's the perfect way to serve grapefruit or pomelo:

Jellied Grapefruit Dessert

2 grapefruit or pomelo sections free from membrane and dried
Dash of salt
1/2 cup sugar
1 package Lime or Raspberry Jelly-O
1 1/2 cups warm water

Combine grapefruit, or pomelo, and sugar and let stand 10 minutes. Dissolve

Jelly-O in warm water; add salt. Pour over grapefruit. Chill, stirring occasionally until slightly thickened. Turn into sherbet glasses. Serves 8.

Of course you want your Jelly-O desserts to come out of the mould cleanly and perfectly. These simple rules will help:

To Unmould Jelly-O

Dip the mould to the rim in warm—not hot—water. Hold a moment, remove, and dry outside of mould with clean towel. Cover mould with serving plate and invert both. Then rub one side of mould slightly and give a sharp shake. Lift off mould. Repeat, if necessary.



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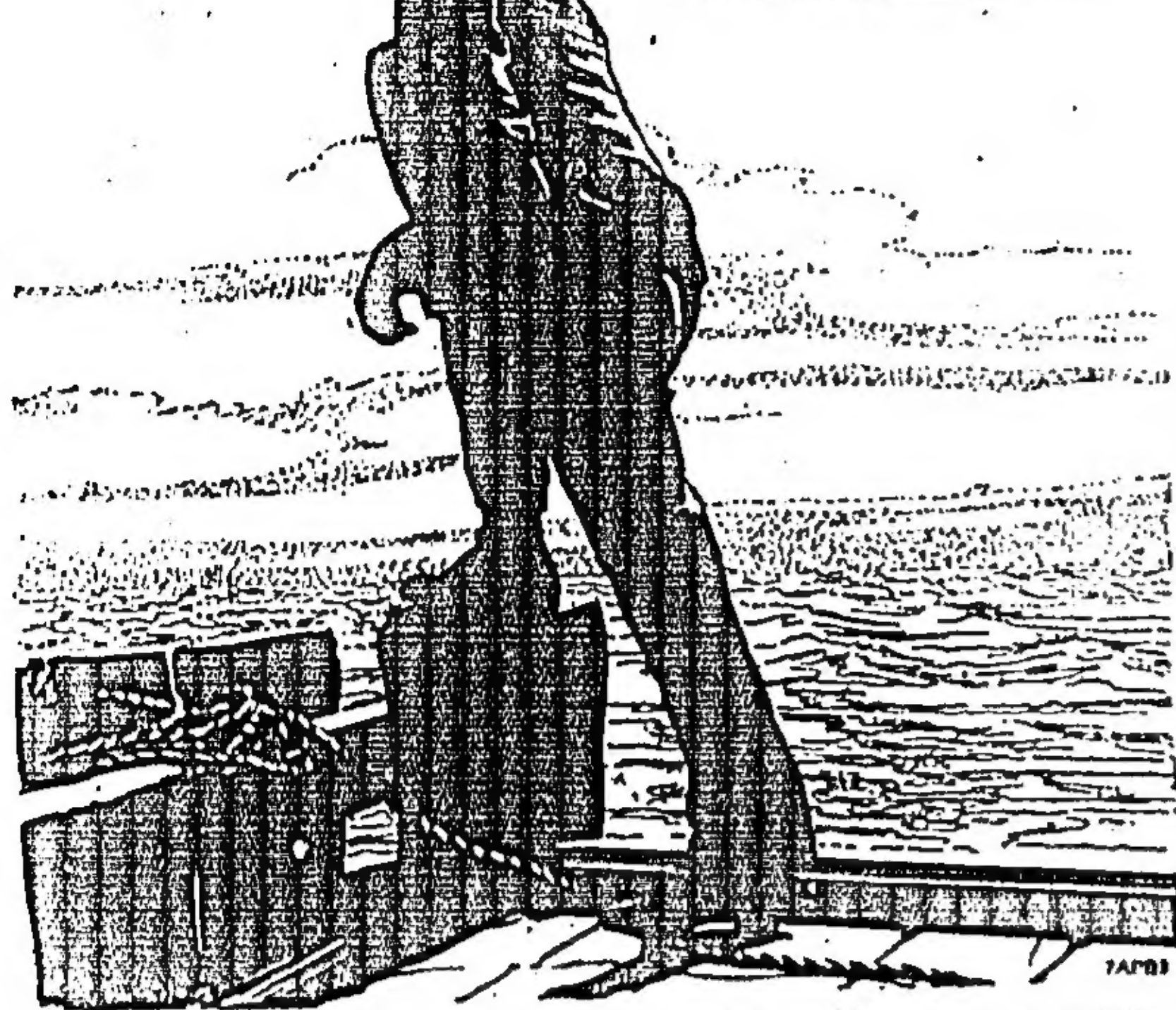
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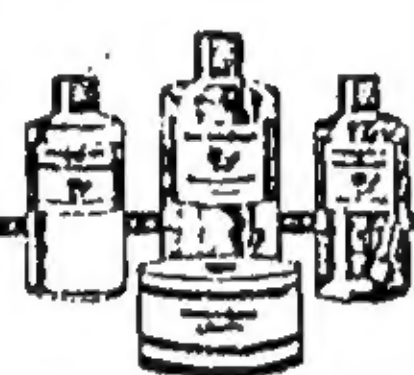


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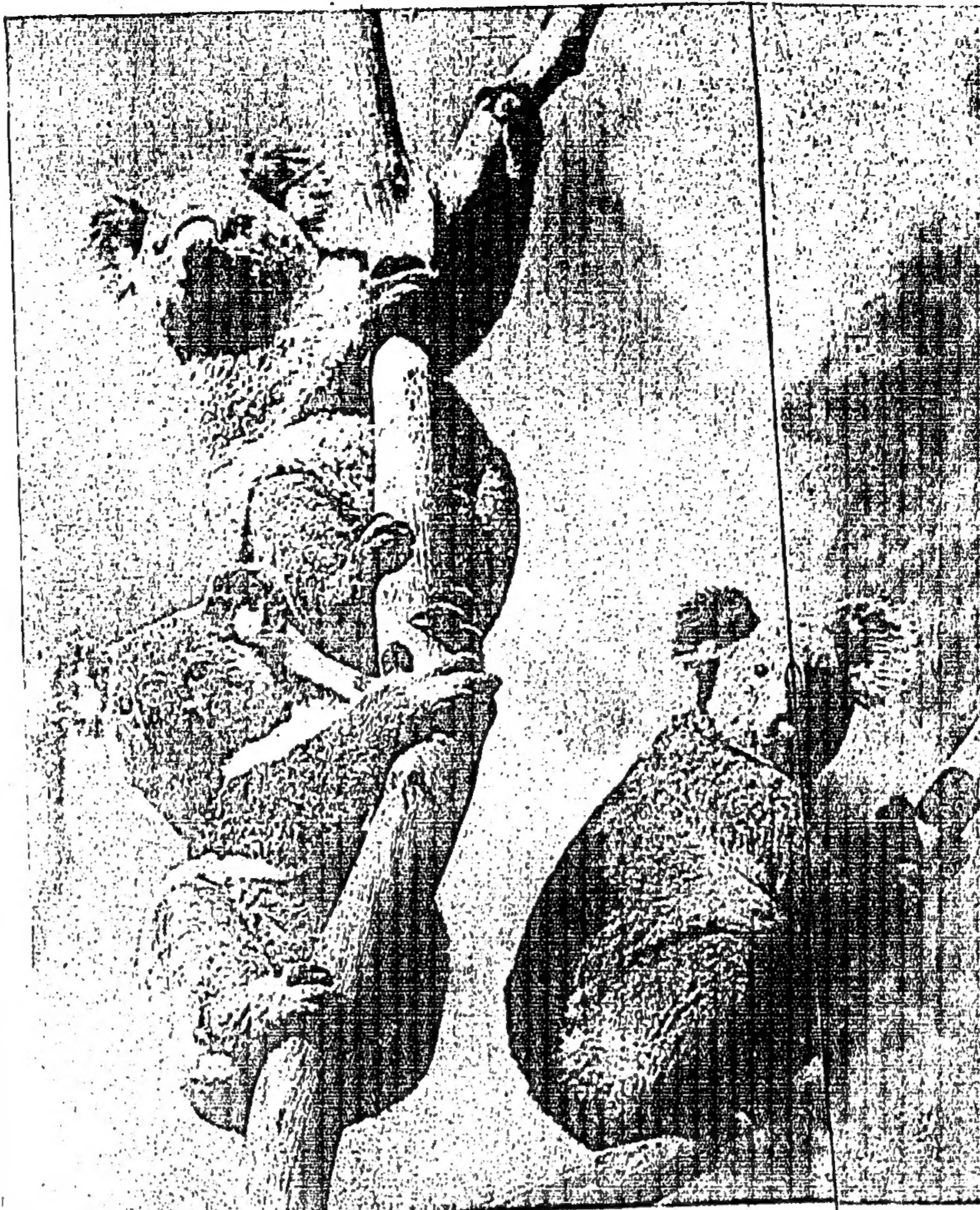


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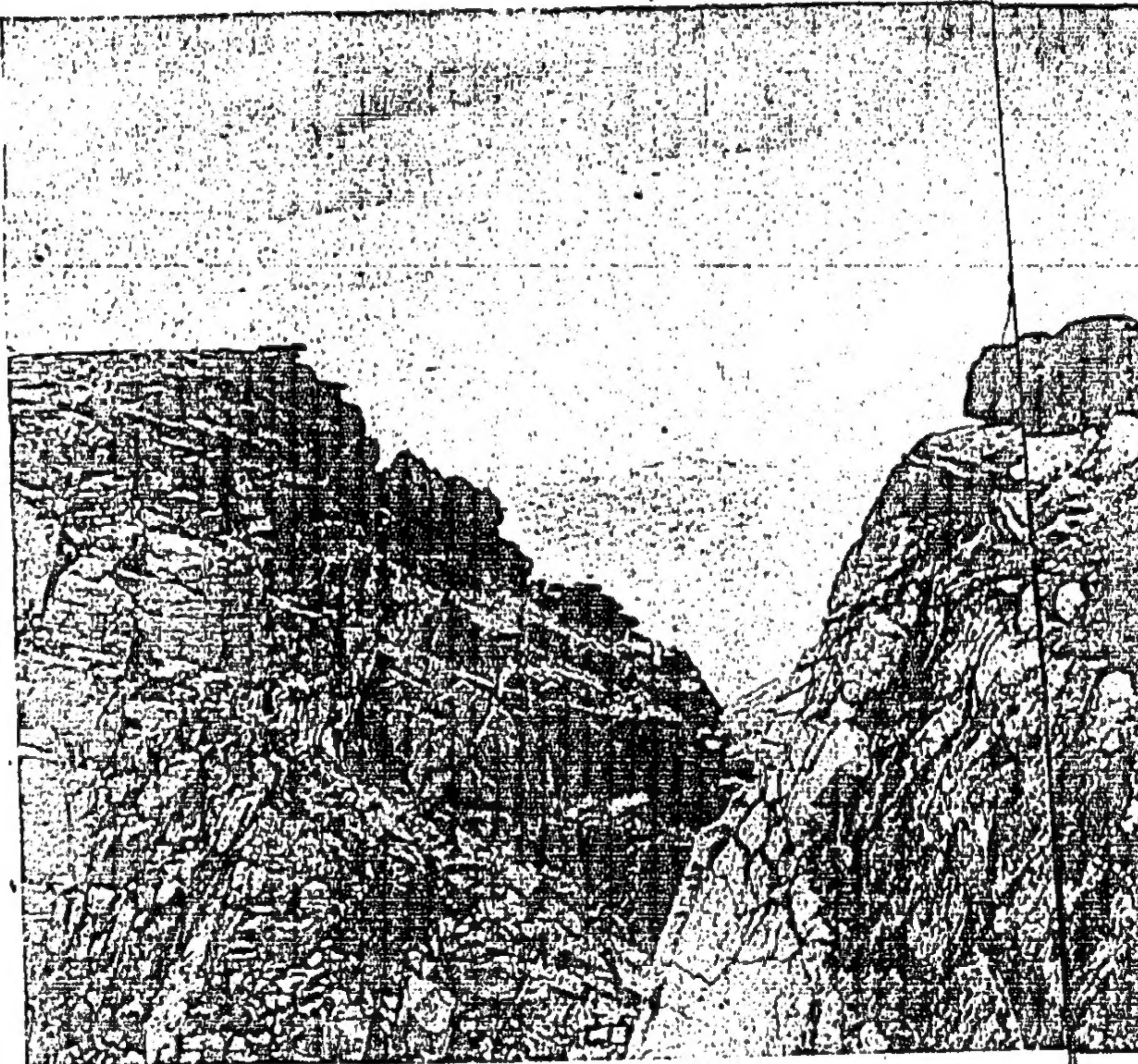
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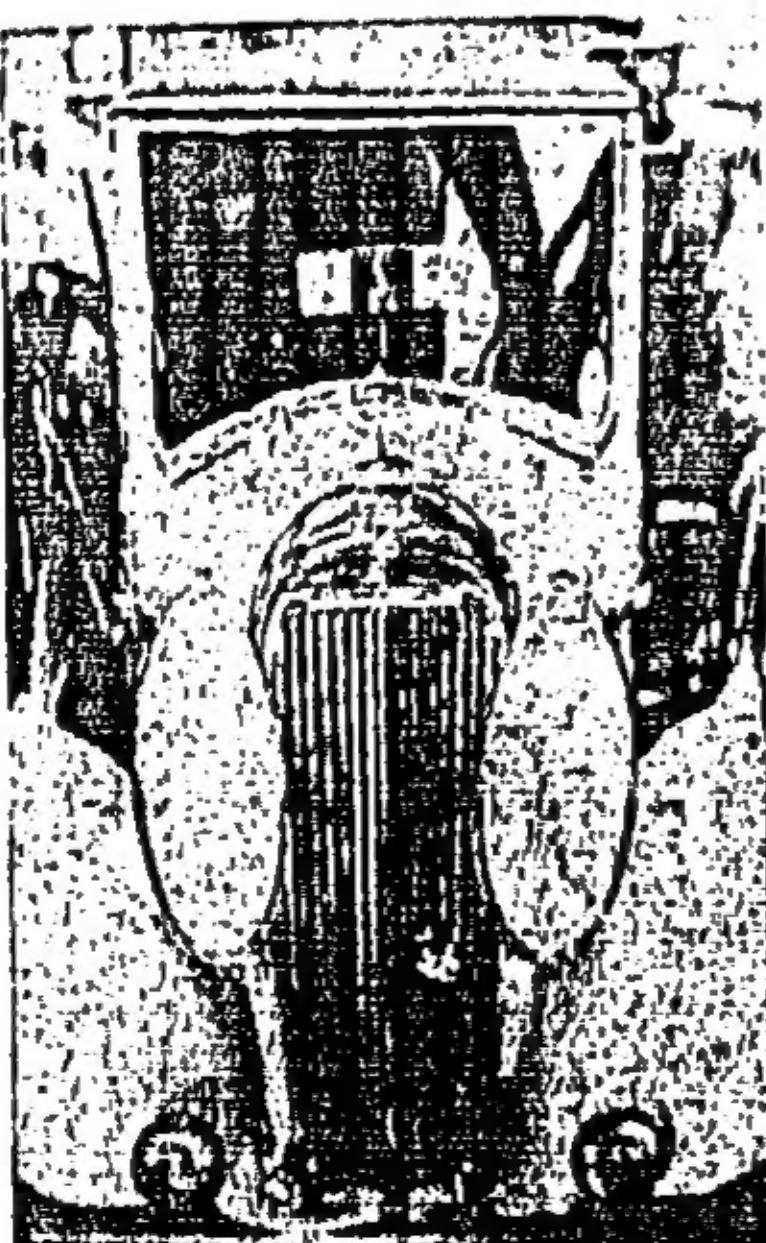
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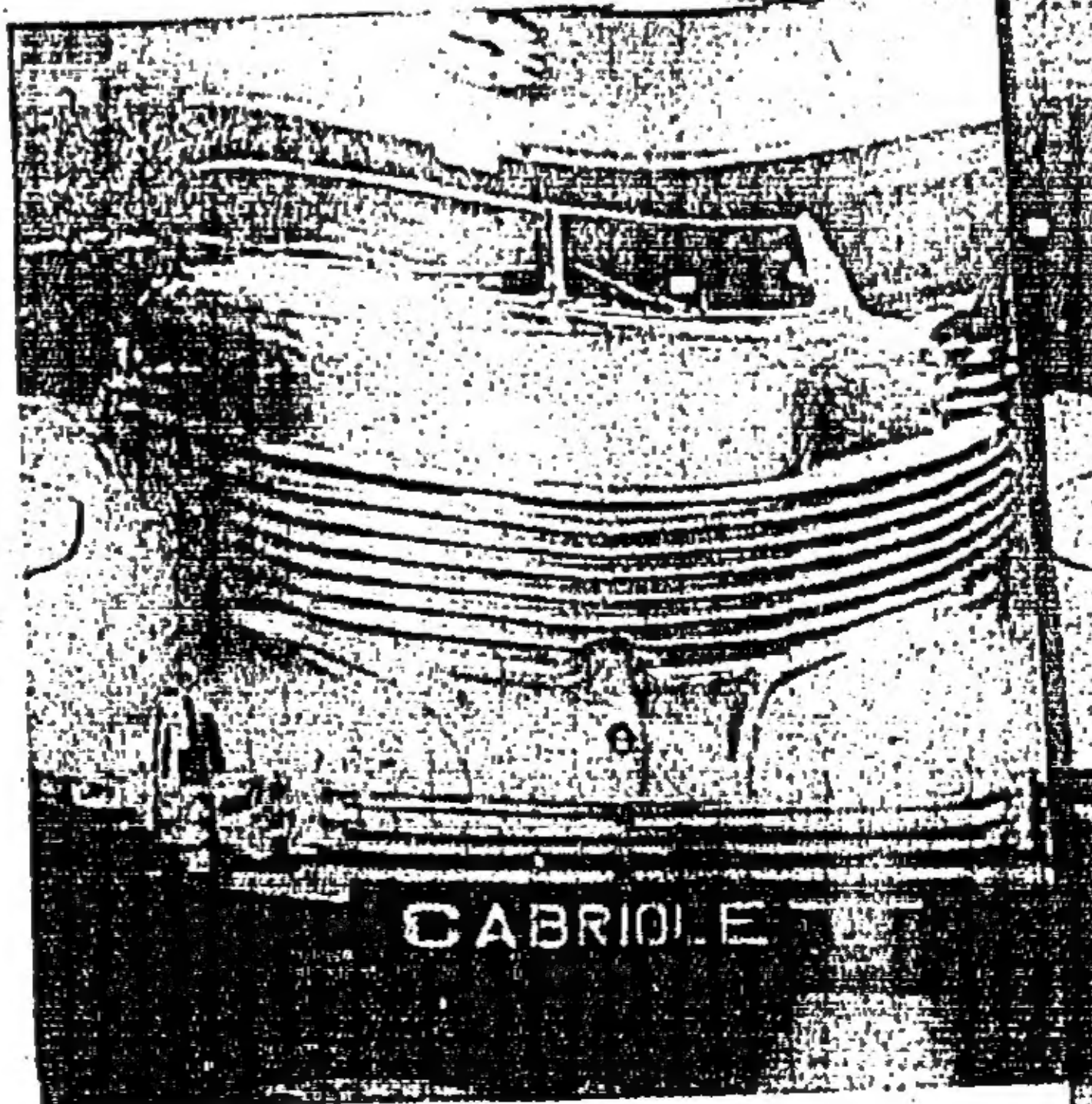
Koalas, the lovable native bears of Australia, which look more like the toy-shop or pet-shop than the wilds. Actually, they are now seldom to be found except in special fauna reserves. This one was taken at Sydney, where festivities for the celebrations of Australia's 150th birthday are to be held next year.



A reminder of home, this picture shows a lone holiday-maker high above the impressive grand sheer rock faces on Lochnager in the Deasdale district.



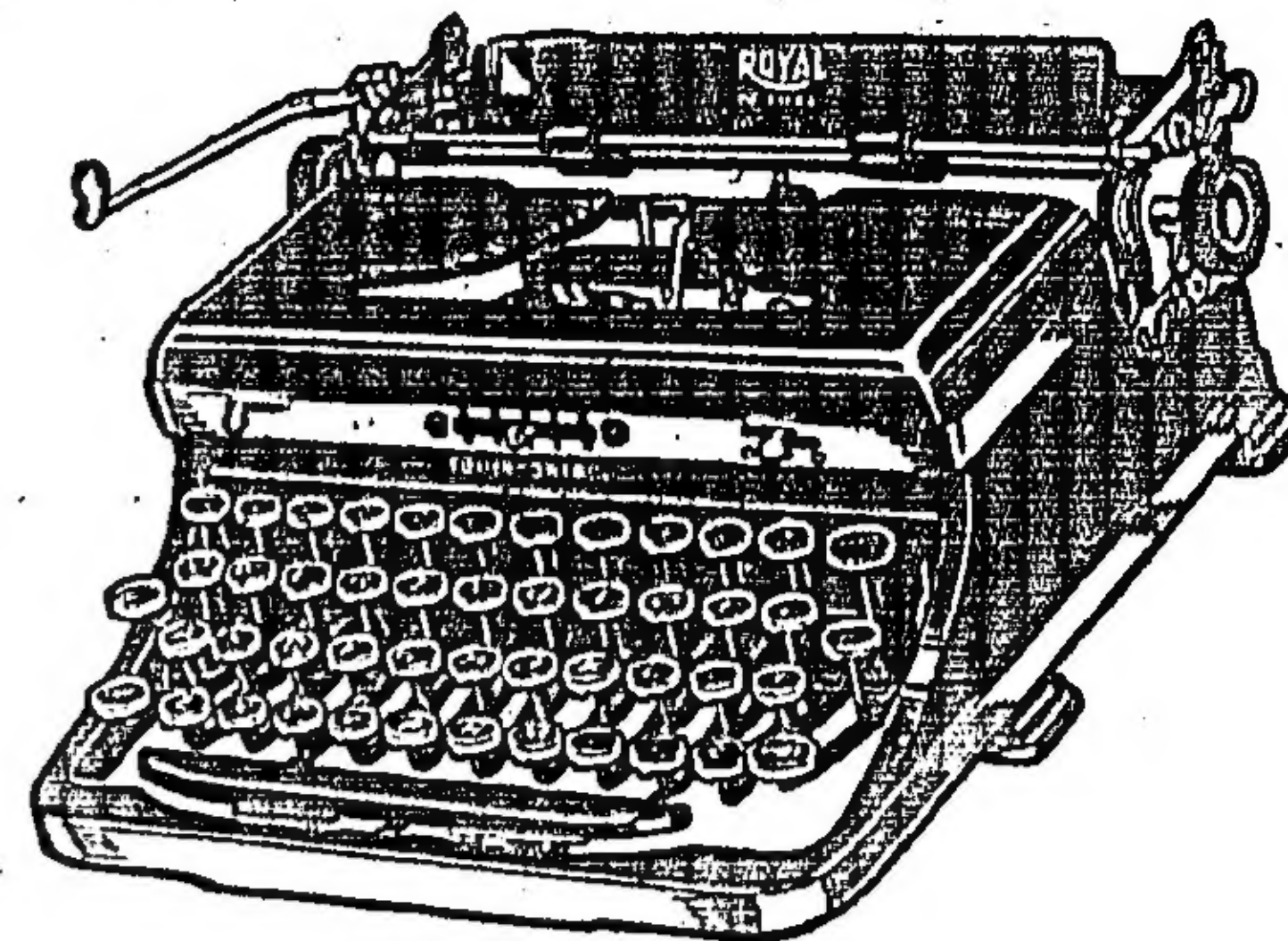
These pictures might represent the photographer's conception of the appearance of a car to a Christmas celebrant, when festivity has reached an advanced stage. They do—do—give—give—an impression of—of—distortion, but were taken at the Motor Show.



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LOGIC TEST

SOME intelligence tests take the forms of stories. The one given here is a test of that type. It was used in tests at Harvard University.

The object is to give an answer to the story. If you can discover the correct answer it will indicate that you have a practical, logical mind.

"Two white workmen were repairing a roof. They fell through a large chimney and landed in a fireplace on the floor below.

"Both men arose unhurt. They looked at each other, walked around the room, stretched their arms and realized that they had sustained no injuries.

"Without speaking a word or discussing their sudden fall, both men started back to the job.

"Now, it happened that one man's face was well smeared with soot from his passage through the chimney. The other man's face, however, was absolutely clean.

"Yet the man with the clean face went and washed his face; the man with the dirty face went back to work without washing his face."

Can you explain, logically, why they did this?

ANALOGY TEST

In each line a first word is given which has a definite relationship to the second word. The object is to choose a fourth word from the groups that will bear the same relationship to the third word as the second word does to the first.

For example: Happiness is to Sorrow as Smile is to frown, weeping, pain, discontent, pleasure.

Obviously, Frown is the proper word to choose in this case.

1. Hot is to Warm as Cold is to icy, refrigerator, snow, cool, zero.

2. Six is to Twelve as Eight is to eleven, thirteen, sixteen, twenty, twenty-four.

3. Fact is to Fiction as Historian is to book, novelist, fabulist, writer, history.

4. Sweet is to Sugar as Fragrance is to beauty, odour, wood, gold, flower.

5. Book is to Page as House is to architect, shelter, brick, man, lot.

RELATIONSHIPS

See how quickly you can solve these problems of relationship. Questions of this type are used as intelligence tests in examinations of mental proficiency, and if you can solve them readily you will rate well above normal.

1. I have no brothers nor sisters; yet the father of that man is my father's son. What relation is he to me?

2. A big Indian and a little Indian were walking down the road. The little Indian was the son of the big Indian. Yet the big Indian was not the father of the little Indian. Why?

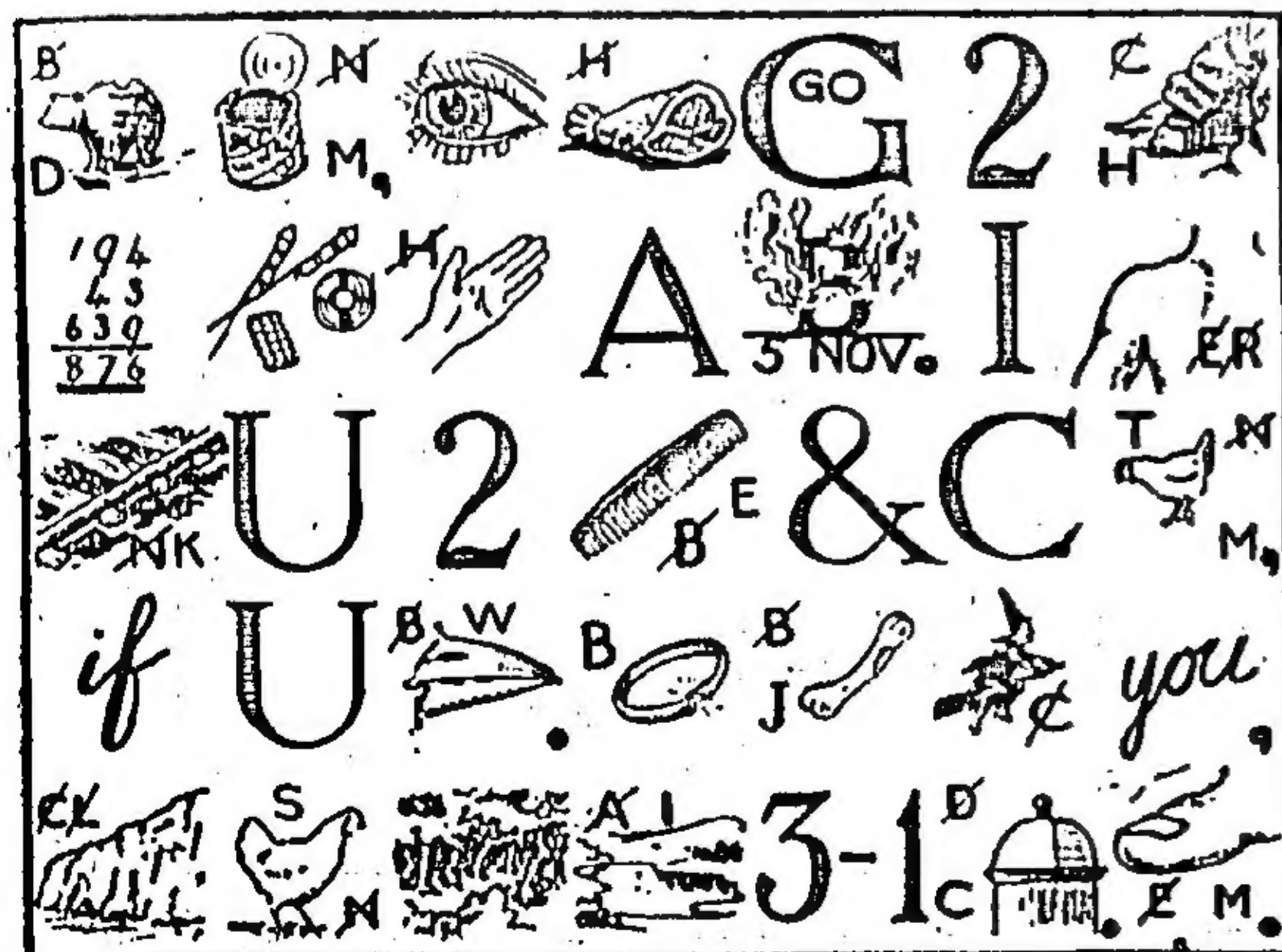
3. A man and his sister were together. The man pointed across the street to a boy, and said: "That boy is my nephew." The woman replied: "He is not my nephew."

Can you explain this?

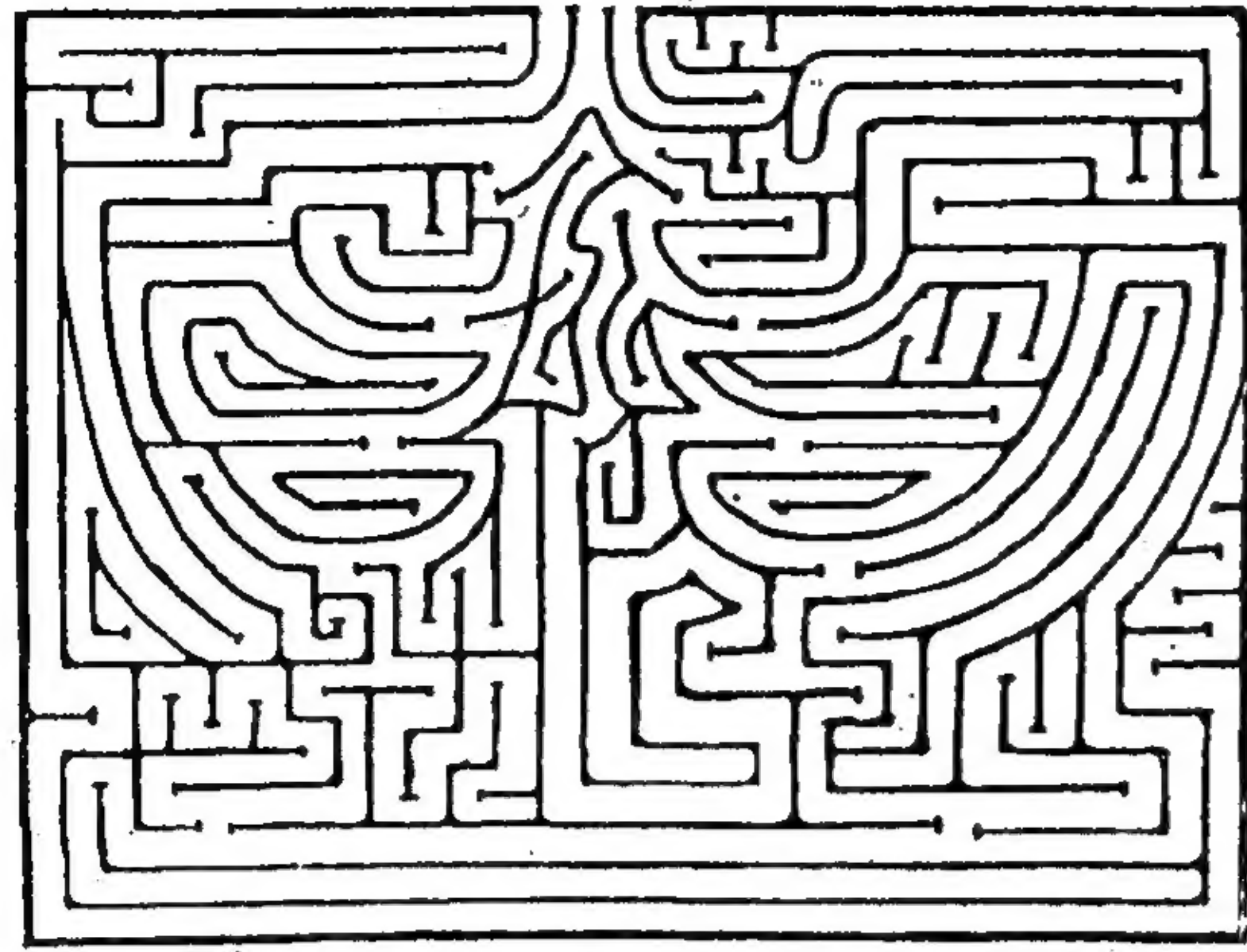
QUALITIES

Nearly every group of intelligence tests, as used in leading universities, includes the meaning of words. Certain words are given in a group, as baseball, marble, world, orange, bubble.

CAN YOU READ THIS LETTER



Calling all Children!



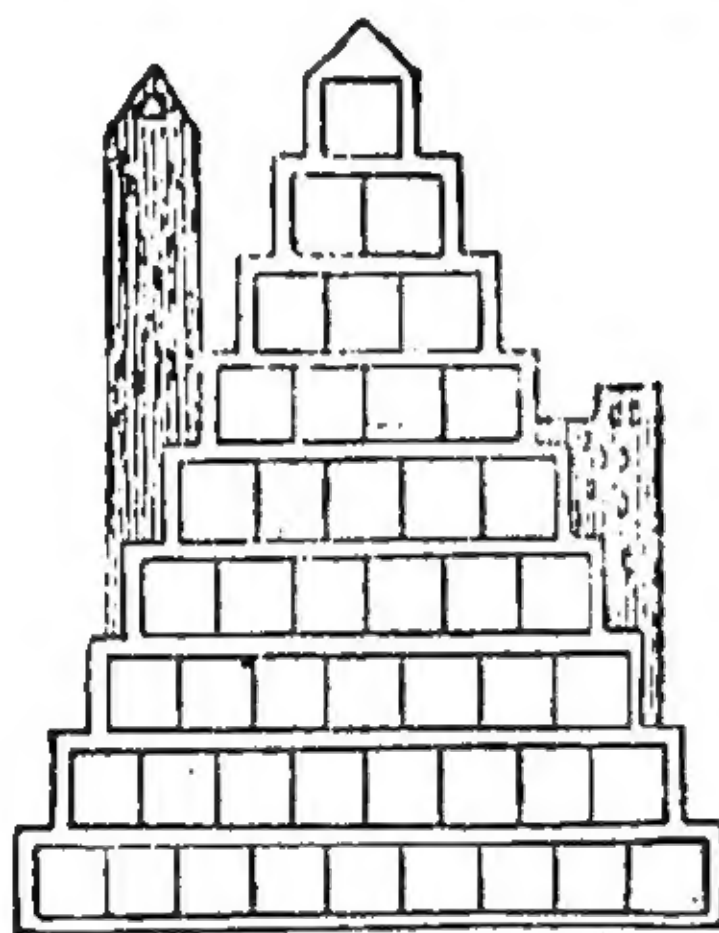
To solve the Mystic Maze, trace a course into the maze; through the maze, and out again.

There is only one continuous course that does not cross any barriers or retrace any lines.

Fill in the outline you have made with a heavy pencil and you will have a silhouette or picture of an object.

ADD-A-GRAM

Put one letter in top story and add another letter for next lower story. And so on rearranging the letters if necessary and making each new word fit the definition opposite.



MISSING LETTERS

Below are twenty-five uncompleted words. How many words can you make by filling in the blanks with any letter of the alphabet?

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| 1. —OUR | 14. CA—L |
| 2. RA—D | 15. HO—S |
| 3. LA—D | 16. TA—E |
| 4. PAC— | 17. —ACT |
| 5. CAN— | 18. MAR— |
| 6. RO—S | 19. ROO—S |
| 7. C—EW | 20. SPO—T |
| 8. BO—B | 21. —HEAD |
| 9. AN—I | 22. —READ |
| 10. BE—U | 23. CRE—D |
| 11. CO—K | 24. T—MPS |
| 12. —YES | 25. RA—OR |
| 13. MAS— | |

Then appears a list of certain qualities, as round, large, heavy, white, solid. One of these words (in this case the word round) expresses a quality which all the objects have in common.

Study the following lists and see if you can determine the proper quality of each group.

1. Grass, leaves, pickles, emeralds, shamrocks are plants, gems, soft, green, valuable.
2. Churches, houses, garages, schools, theatres are dwellings, brick, large, tall, buildings.
3. London, Paris, Cairo, Athens, Rome are seaports, capitals, countries, inland, European.
4. Birth, death, growth, pain, error are sudden, desirable, sensations, inevitable, enjoyable.
5. Beets, pepper, salt, carrots, turnips are vegetables, seasonings, delicacies, edible, expensive.

Sibilant

Point of compass

Observe

Wise man

Guide

Ceased labour

Having device on head

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ANSWER TO LOGIC TEST

The workmen looked at each other. The first man saw that the other's face was dirty, hence he assumed that his own was dirty also. The man with the dirty face saw the clean face of his companion and supposed that his own was clean. Hence, the man with the clean face washed and the man with the dirty face did not.

ANSWERS TO ANALOGY TEST

1. Hot is to Warm as Cold is to Cool.
2. Six is to Twelve as Eight is to Sixteen.
3. Fact is to Fiction as Historian is to Novelist.
4. Sweet is to Sugar as Fragrance is to Flower.
5. Book is to Page as House is to Brick.

ANSWER TO RELATIONSHIPS

1. The man is my son—I am his father.
2. The big Indian was the mother of the little Indian.
3. The nephew of the man was the son of the man's sister.

ANSWERS TO QUALITIES

1. Grass, leaves, pickles, emeralds, shamrocks are green.
2. Churches, houses, garages, schools, theatres are buildings.
3. London, Paris, Cairo, Athens, Rome are capitals.
4. Birth, death, growth, pain, error are inevitable.
5. Beets, pepper, salt, carrots, turnips are edible.

ADD-A-GRAM

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MISSING LETTERS

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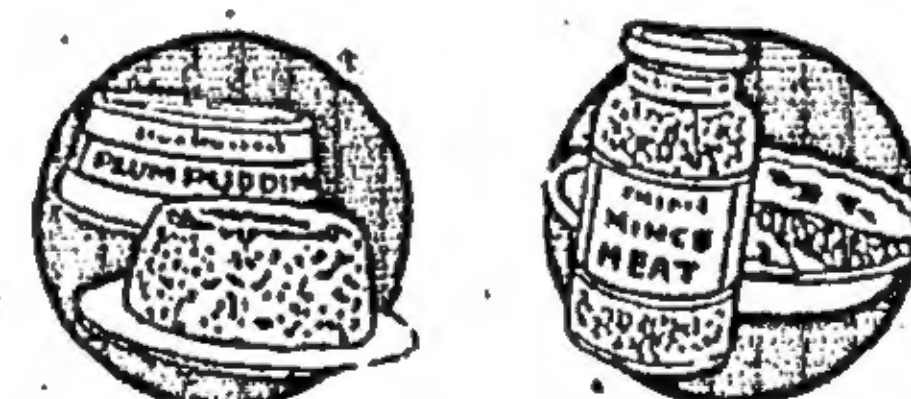
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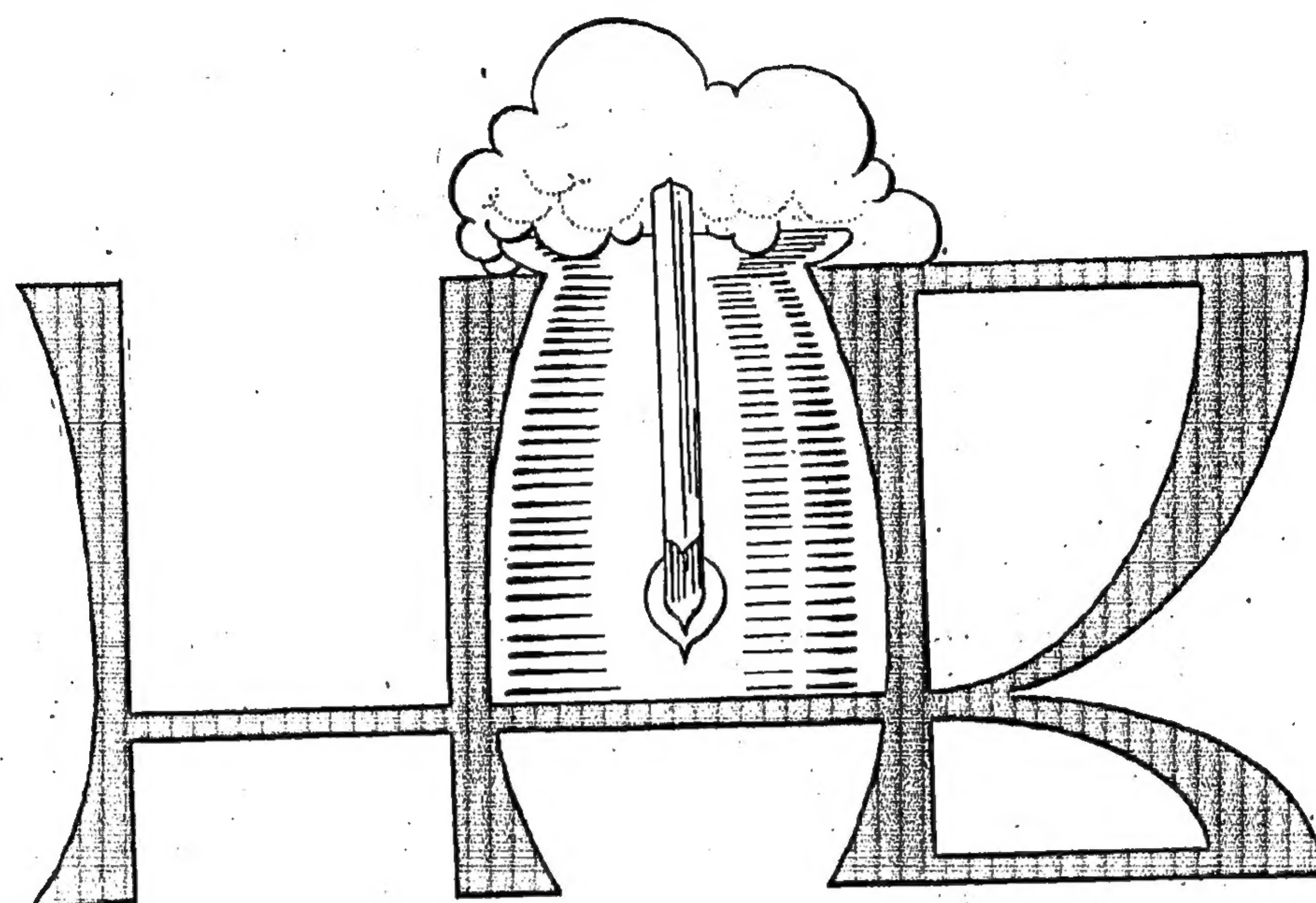
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